

Elections expected to change Congress

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With Election Day rapidly approaching, the balance of power in Congress could change as Democrats look poised to make great gains amid Republican faltering, and many races for House and Senate seats are still up in the air.

The Republican Party has been plagued lately with scandal and allegations of corruption. The indictment of former House Majority Leader Tom Delay (R-Tex.) and the connections of numerous Republican congressmen with disgraced lobbyist Jack Abramoff are expected to play a large role in a possible Democratic sweep.

Another thorn in the side of the G.O.P. is the growing scandal surrounding Florida Congressman Mark Foley (R) and his inappropriate conduct with a House page. Foley is accused of having an affair with a 16 year-old page and has consequently resigned from Congress and entered an alcohol rehabilitation clinic.

Such scandals only add to the list of problems for the G.O.P. this November. An AP-AOL poll puts this Congress' approval rating at a scant 25 percent, meaning voters may be willing to enact broad changes.

President George W. Bush's approval rating is also low at 37

percent, according to a recent Newsweek poll. Bush's low approval rating, combined with an apparent decline in support for the Iraq War, has led many Republican candidates to distance themselves from the president, while Democratic candidates have attacked their opponents using Republican connections to the Bush presidency.

Indeed, the election seems to be more a referendum on the current administration and the Congress that supported it than a debate between Democratic and Republican platforms.

"This is a referendum on whether you want to continue the course that President Bush and the Republicans have set," Rep. Rahm Emanuel (D-Ill.), who heads the Democrats' House reelection committee, told the *San Francisco Chronicle*.

Should Democrats take control of the House of Representatives, it will be the first Democratic House since 1994, when Republicans were swept in under the "Contract with America." The structure of the Senate is more difficult to predict, with many races, such as Missouri and Tennessee, too close to call.

In Missouri, Republican incumbent Senator Jim Talent faces off against Democratic challenger Claire McCaskill. The race garnered national attention recently when the Democratic National Committee ran ads

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Three Loyola students smoke cigarettes outside of Swallow at the Hollow last Saturday night. If the Baltimore City Council passes the smoking ban, bar patrons will be forced to smoke outside.

Baltimore City steps closer to smoking ban

By MARY SCOTT
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The Baltimore City Council held its first hearing on a bill that aims to instate a citywide smoking ban in bars and restaurants last Wednesday. While specifics of the bill have just begun to be discussed, a vote on it is expected by spring.

The proposed ban, introduced

by City Councilman Robert W. Curran, would prohibit smoking in all public places, most notably bowling alleys and taxicabs are also included. Cigar bars, private clubs, and outdoor seating areas at restaurants would be exempt if the owner applies for a waiver.

"There is no reason for folks in Baltimore, bartenders, and others in the hospitality industry to be

second-class citizens," said Curran, who hopes that the ban will improve the health of those working in bars and restaurants.

Fourteen of the nation's largest cities, including New York and Chicago, have already imposed smoking restrictions, or are covered under a statewide policy. Baltimore, which ranks 18th on this list, is one of just six cities on the

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Sophomore looks into LC football

By JENN BOGDAN
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The last time Loyola College cheered for a Greyhound football team it was 1933. Today, 73 years later, sophomore Alex Hollis is on a mission to reinstate the football program he and other Loyola students think the institution is lacking.

Hollis, also the Student Government Association's director of Academic Affairs, is in the process of researching football programs at other universities and colleges with the goal of gathering a report that he hopes will eventually be presented to Loyola's Board of Trustees upon its completion.

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ALEXANDRA DYKHOUSE/GREYHOUND

The Evergreen Players performed Arthur Miller's "The Crucible" last weekend in McManus Theater. Miller's allegory about McCarthyism runs through Sunday. Review, page 15.

Loyola to open program in Ghana

By TERRY FOY
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With the establishment of a new study abroad program in Accra, Ghana, Loyola students will have an opportunity to spend a semester in Africa for the first time since the program in Harare, Zimbabwe, was discontinued due to political instability.

The program is operated through an affiliation with New York University, and Loyola students will have an opportunity to take classes at NYU's on-site learning center, as well as nearby University of Ghana and Ashesi University College, while living in the program's gated townhouse community.

"Without NYU, we would have

found it difficult to go into Ghana because the housing and classes were too overcrowded," Associate Director of International Programs Joe Healy said. "The housing is almost too nice -- nicer than housing on campus here."

Healy also stressed that the program will provide rigorous academic options, with the University of Ghana being one of the premier universities in western Africa.

"Our first and foremost concern is the academics," Healy said. "It's study abroad after all, not Club med abroad."

The program, which brings the total study abroad opportunities for Loyola students to 39, took two years to come to fruition, and was

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White House denies Cheney endorsed water boarding

By JONATHAN S. LANDAY
McCLATCHY NEWSPAPERS

WASHINGTON - Vice President Dick Cheney wasn't referring to the controversial interrogation method of "water boarding" when he called dunking terror suspects in water "a very important tool" for obtaining information on al-Qaida, the White House insisted Friday.

White House spokesman Tony Snow, however, was unable to clarify what Cheney did mean in a Tuesday radio interview in which the vice president said that dunking detainees in water was "a no brainer" if it saved American lives.

"I will ask him," Snow said.

"This country doesn't torture," asserted President Bush, while not commenting directly on Cheney's remarks. CIA officers or contractors have subjected a small number of suspected terrorists to water boarding so it would appear that the president meant that his administration doesn't consider water boarding torture.

Human rights groups charged that Cheney's comments amounted to an endorsement of torture, which is barred by a new Army field manual on interrogation and by a new law that Bush signed last month.

In water boarding, a subject is strapped down and his head is held under water or his mouth and nose are smothered by a cloth soaked in water to induce a sensation of drowning. The technique was used in the Spanish Inquisition in the Middle Ages and by the Japanese against American prisoners of war during World War II.

In the radio interview, with WDAY, of

Fargo, N.D., the interviewer said many Americans had called to say that they thought "dunking a terrorist in water" was acceptable if it saved lives.

Cheney responded: "I think the terrorist threat, for example, with respect to our ability to interrogate high value detainees like Khalid Shaikh Mohammed, that's been a very important tool that we've had to be able to secure the nation."

He then was asked: "Would you agree that a dunk in water is a no brainer if it can save lives?" he was asked.

"It's a no brainer for me," Cheney replied, adding that, "We don't torture."

Peppered with questions during a White House news conference on Friday, Snow said that Cheney was not talking about water boarding.

"Let me give you the no-brainers here," said Snow. "No-brainer number one is we don't torture. No-brainer number two, we don't break the law, our own or international law. No-brainer number three, the vice president doesn't give away questioning techniques. And number four, the administration does believe in legal questioning techniques of known killers whose questioning can in fact be used to save American lives."

"The vice president he says he was talking in general terms about a questioning program that is legal to save American lives, and he was not referring to water boarding," Snow continued.

Snow said he had not spoken directly to Cheney, but would ask him to clarify his remarks.

In a CNN interview, Cheney's wife, Lynne, said that interpreting her husband's comments as a reference to



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The White House is insisting that Vice President Dick Cheney was not referring to water boarding, when he called it a, "Very important tool," in an interview last week.

water boarding was "a complete distortion."

Less than two weeks before congressional mid-term elections, some Democrats seized on Cheney's comments to recall that the vice president had lobbied Congress against passing a torture ban. They also pointed out that the three Republican sponsors of a new law on military commissions had said that the measure prohibited water boarding.

"Is the White House that was for torture before it was against it, now for torture again?" said Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass.

Numerous legal and human rights experts and the U.S. Army consider

water boarding cruel and inhuman treatment under U.S. laws and international treaties prohibiting torture.

"What's really a no-brainer is that no U.S. official, much less a vice president, should champion torture," said Larry Cox of Amnesty International. "Vice President Cheney's advocacy of water boarding sets a new human rights low."

"If Iran or Syria detained an American, Cheney is saying that it would be perfectly fine for them to hold that American's head under water until he nearly drowns, if that's what they think they need to do to save Iranian or Syrian lives," said Tom Malinowski of Human Rights Watch.

Choirs to perform at the Baltimore Basilica

Loyola's Chapel and Gospel Choirs will perform at a Youth Mass at the Baltimore Basilica on Saturday, Nov. 11.

The ticket-only Mass is part of a week-long series of events celebrating the reopening of the restored Basilica, and will be followed by an outdoor ceremony to illuminate the exterior of the Basilica for the first time in the cathedral's history.

The Illumination Ceremony, which begins at 7:30 p.m., is open to the public and will feature Olympic figure skater Kimmie Meissner and U.S. Marine Sgt. Christopher P. Funk, an Iraq War veteran from Reisterstown.

The Baltimore Basilica, officially known as the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, closed for renovations in 2004. It is located at 408 N. Charles Street in Baltimore's Mt. Vernon neighborhood.

Baltimore architecture center of Year of the City event

"Baltimore's Iron Heritage: Early Structural Iron in the Monumental City," a Year of the City event sponsored by departments of Engineering and History will take place Thursday, Nov. 2 at 7 p.m. in Knott Hall.

Dr. Sarah Wermiel, visiting scholar at Michigan Institute of Technology will discuss Baltimore as the center of iron and glass architecture, what some consider to be the most innovative architecture, as well as the roots of new structures.

Faith and Business panel to examine unemployment

The Faith and Business panel will examine the impact of unemployment on the individual and society at their panel discussion, "Public Policy, Male Identity and Unemployment in Baltimore," on Monday, Nov. 6.

The panel discussion will feature a question and answer session, along with discussion around the challenges of unemployment in Baltimore, and public and private initiatives undertaken to address the problem.

Panelists include Graham McAleer, Henry Holzer, and Joe Jones. It will take place at 7 p.m. in the Fourth Floor Programming Room.

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Campus Police Blotter

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Monday, Oct. 23

At 11:30 a.m., a campus police officer was dispatched to Primo's to respond to a report of theft. The Primo's manager informed the officer that he caught a student stealing, adding that there is a big problem with students stealing and this one just happened to get caught. The officer spoke with the student who stated that he had dropped a banana in his bag and tried to walk out. He was then caught. The student said the act was stupid, apologized, and said it would not happen again. The banana, valued at 49 cents, was recovered.

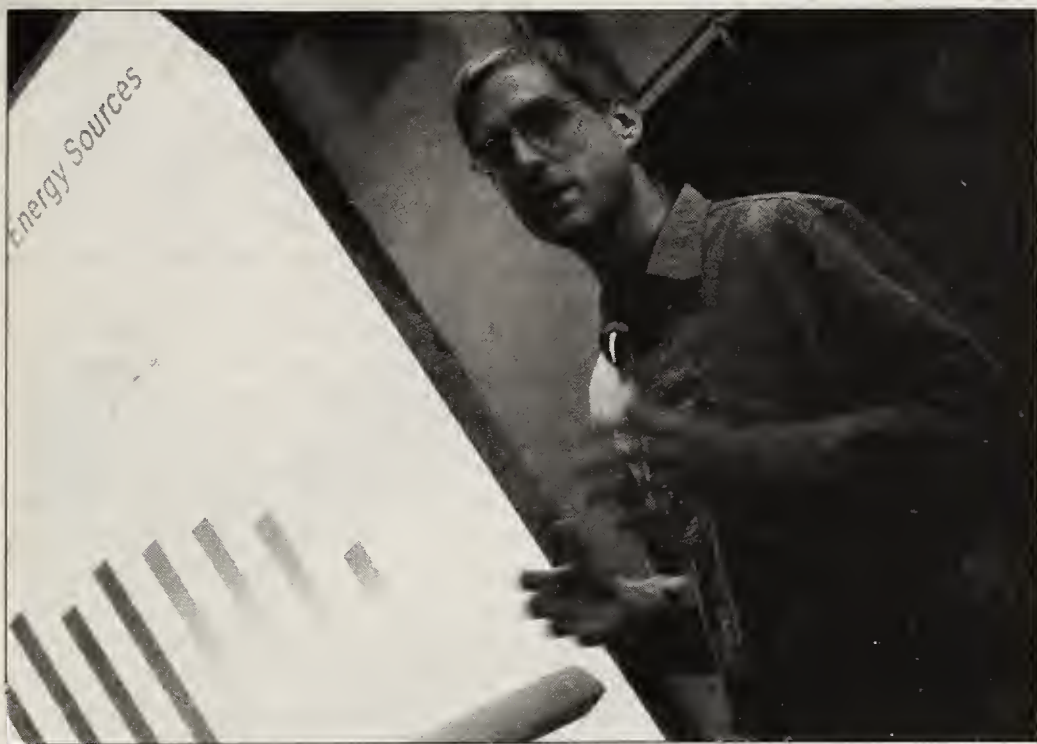
Wednesday, Oct. 25

A campus police officer responded to Newman Towers East for a report of telephone misuse. Upon arrival, the officer met with students in the room who share one of three bedrooms in the apartment. They stated that over the previous three to four weeks they have been receiving suspicious telephone calls to their dorm room extension, where the unknown caller breathes heavily into the phone and does not speak. The calls were apparently originating from an on-campus exchange as the phone would have a single ring prior to being answered. As the officer was gathering information from the complainants, a third roommate came into the room after overhearing the conversation and admitted to being responsible for placing the calls. She said that she and her direct roommate were making the calls as a joke on the two complainants. The officer told them not to utilize the phone in such a careless and irresponsible manner.

Thursday, Oct. 26

At 9:05 p.m. campus police officers responded to the Loyola/Notre Dame Library for a disorderly person. An officer spoke to a library employee who stated that the suspect, a student at Morgan State University, walked into the library and walked over to the security attendant waving an ID card at him. The attendant said that he had not read the ID and the suspect walked to library employee and said, "Look, you want to see my ID," and stuck the ID in the employee's face. The employee asked her why she did that, and the woman began using obscene language. A campus police officer asked the woman why she did that, and she denied everything but waving her ID at the security attendant. The woman reluctantly told the officer she was 42-years-old, but refused to give any more information that was not on her Morgan State ID card. She left the library on foot, and campus police attempted to contact Morgan State officials for more information.

-compiled by Mary Scott



Brad Heavner, Environment Maryland state director spoke last Thursday, discussing sustainability issues on a global level.

Recycling, Sustainability Week tried to make LC 'Greener'

BY NICOLE ARTHUR
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Last week marked the third annual Recycling and Sustainability Awareness Week, giving students the opportunity to learn about the global effects of environmental and sustainability issues both on and off of campus.

Throughout the week, which was sponsored by the Loyola Recycling Coalition, Facilities, and Roots and Shoots, various lectures were held which encompassed a number of viewpoints regarding sustainability and the environment.

On Tuesday, Matt Stern of the Chesapeake Climate Action Network, presented, "A Student Approach to Sustainability." Stern, who once rode his bike across the country, spoke to students about ways they can decrease their personal waste and make the campus a more sustainable place.

The week also took a look at what Loyola is doing to reduce waste, recycle more, and become a more environmentally conscious campus. A Web cast was aired in McGuire Hall last Wednesday as part of Campus Sustainability Day, an event that takes place across the country.

A talk about the new freshmen dorm, currently under construction also took place Wednesday night in Knott Hall. The new dorm, which will be a "green" building, meaning, it will be more energy efficient and environmentally friendly than other buildings. The talk was led by Sam La Machia, assistant director for Facilities Operations, and Kelly French Vresilovic, the project manager for the new dorm.

When talking about what Loyola is already doing to improve sustainability, La Machia stressed the importance of the single stream system and emphasized the goal of the college

to recycle at least 25 percent of the trash generated on campus.

"Until October of 2005, we were unable to even track how we were measuring up to this goal. To date, sad to say, we have yet to meet this goal, averaging only 18.31 percent of recycled materials," said LaMachia.

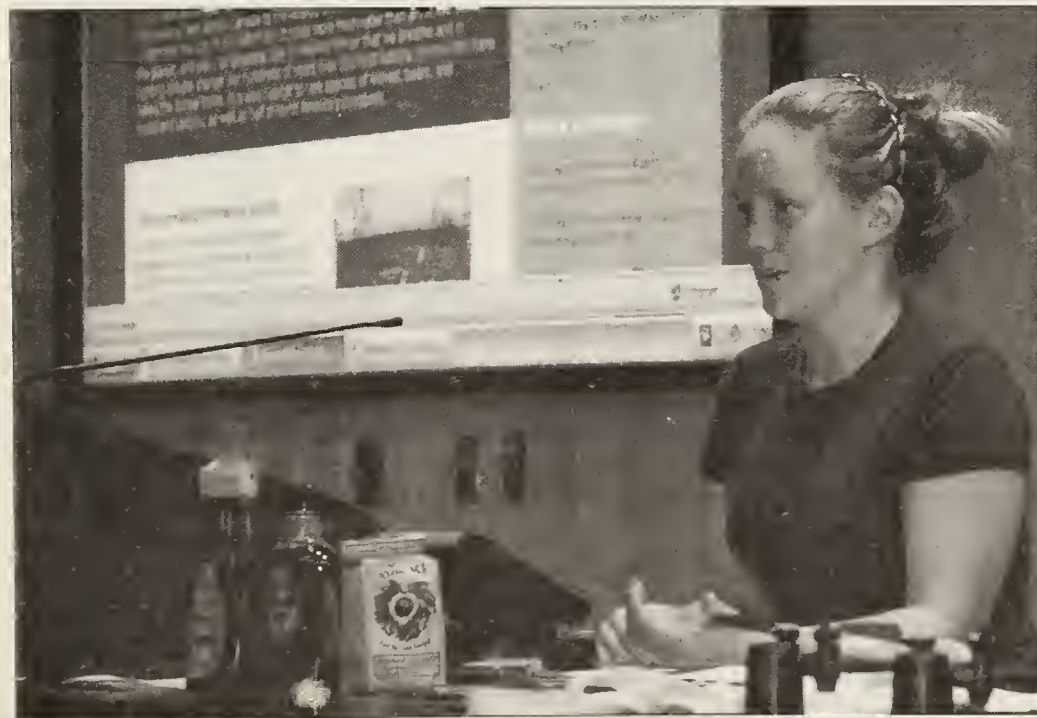
"As we continue to promote ways to make recycling easier on campus, the greatest contribution students, faculty, administrators and staff can make is to become advocates and proponents of the recycling effort," says La Machia. Loyola students must take more time and remove food and containers and then discard the container in a recycling bin.

By taking these simple initiatives, it is Mr. La Machia's personal hope that Loyola will meet and hopefully exceed our goal of at least 25 percent recycled refuse by the end of the school year.

"Climate Crisis: What's Washington going to do about it?" was the final event for the week, held on Thursday night in Knott Hall. Brad Heavner from Environment Maryland, spoke about public policy issues and the environment, in an attempt to bring the week's focus under a broader, more global view.

Liz LaBarbera, student recycling coordinator, also spoke to the Student Government Association about ways they can get involved in making Loyola a greener campus. LaBarbera hopes to get the school involved in Recycle Mania, a national competition among colleges and universities that takes place in January.

"I'm happy with the turnout of last week's events," said LaBarbera. "The goal of the week was to increase awareness of sustainability issues, to bring it to the individual, as well as on a global scale."



Senior Brigid McAteer (above), along with senior Karina Christiansen, discussed information from The Annual Bioneers Conference last week.

Academic Senate considers new Masters program

BY LIA GORMSEN
STAFF WRITER

At last week's Academic Senate meeting, members pre-approved a new Master of Education program, and voted to install a committee to evaluate the way faculty are honored with Distinguished Teaching awards.

A Masters of Education program in Kodaly Music Education was unanimously approved for consideration at the next Academic Senate meeting Nov. 7. If approved, the program would be the first of its kind in the state of Maryland. Kodaly music focuses on a child-development approach to music education, with a focus on musical literacy. The program would run during the summer on Loyola's campus.

The Senate also pre-approved a motion for a Core Review on Study Abroad Principles. The key aim of this motion is to encourage department chairs who consistently deny study abroad students the ability to take their department-specific cores abroad, to reconsider their policies.

The motion argues that because some cores are always denied approval, e.g. fine arts and political science, a disproportionate amount of students end up taking certain core classes abroad which are almost always approved, such as ethics and history.

The motion also asks that faculty "should not require that courses studied abroad be too narrowly similar to Loyola classes."

The senate will take a final vote on this motion Nov. 7.

One final motion was approved at this week's meeting to establish an ad hoc committee to review the criteria for awarding faculty with a Recognition of Distinguished Teaching. The motion, proposed by Academic Senate Chair Elissa Derrickson, seeks to evaluate the way in which professors are nominated and elected for teaching awards.

Currently students nominate and vote for their favorite professors, and the deans and vice president for Academic Affairs select the faculty member with the greatest number of votes.

The motion explains how this puts graduate teachers and teachers from small majors at a disadvantage, as they teach a smaller percentage of students.

The proposal suggests ways the committee might reorganize the teaching award categories to include "undergraduate teaching, graduate teaching, service learning, first year programs, and involving students in research."

The motion also calls for the committee to consider nominating faculty for national or regional teaching awards.

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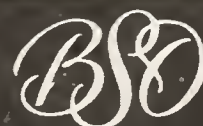
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Supermodel and Loyola College graduate student Carlo Brando Zepeda spoke for SPECTRUM last week about being a gay man in the fashion industry at, "Fashion's Industry Response to the LGBT Community and their Role in the Media." Zepeda has modeled for Dior and Ralph Lauren, among others.

Groupwise changes overwhelmed spam filter

BY MEGAN McCONVILLE
STAFF WRITER

Significant changes were made to Loyola's e-mail system last week. These changes occurred in the three computers running of GWGuardian, the spam filter used in GroupWise.

The changes involved an upgrade to a newer version of the GWGuardian software, which resulted in a faster configuration wherein the first two computers examine the mail, and the third stores files to be quarantined.

The reason for these upgrades is the recent spam increase. Quarantine stores 15 days worth of items.

According to Dave Opitz, Security Analyst at Tech Services, in the past 3-4 months there have been 2 million items stored in Quarantine, which is only over a 15-day period. In the last month alone, there have been 3 million stored in the 15-day quarantine, which works out to a 50 percent increase.

"And that's just on our small campus at Loyola," said Paul Smith, director of Business Continuation. "Could you imagine the amount of spam they get at other, larger schools? It's just unbelievable."

Although they cannot pinpoint a specific reason for the sudden increase in spam, Opitz and Smith have some theories that can possibly explain this escalation. It is possible that someone somehow got a hold of many of Loyola's e-mail addresses, which can be found off a webpage. The most likely answer is that groups are simply sending more spam.

"I really think there is money to be made in spam," Smith said. "If a person sends out a million spams, and only a few get responses,

they still stand to make money."

For the most part, these changes will not affect students. However, they can expect to see some new features in their GroupWise as a result of these upgrades. For instance, they can now log on and access their own personal statistics of their mailboxes online at www.Loyola.edu/myspam. On this site, students will be able to change their quarantine settings, as well as view spam by category.

Another major change is the unblocking of zip files. Previously, Guardian would quarantine all zip files, because most viruses travel in that format. Now, these files are only blocked if they are password protected or if they contain an .exe file that is zipped.

"We've got this new GWGuardian in place mainly to prevent our mailboxes from filling up, but also to protect our users from viruses and scams," Opitz said.

In the first three days since the new upgrades were put in place, 1.1 million spam e-mails have been placed in quarantine. According to Opitz, 75 percent of all the e-mail Loyola receives is spam. GWGuardian has keywords that it recognizes to determine whether or not an e-mail is spam. In this small sample, so far, it has been correct 99 percent of the time.

"We really hope this new system is useful," Opitz said. "It's an attempt to make your life easier and e-mail easier to use."

While Opitz and Smith acknowledge that not everything is perfect yet, they are optimistic that all the new features will be up and running smoothly soon.

"Generally, it's been working really well. The servers aren't too busy, and we haven't had any major problems," said Opitz.

CAMPUS SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK

October 30- Fire Safety Presentation

5 PM Knott Hall B01

October 31- Safety Information Booth

11 AM-2PM Outside Boulder

November 1- A Presentation by Baltimore PD

5 PM Knott Hall B03

November 2-Campus Safety Forum

5 PM Hopkins Court

November 3- Safety Information Booth

11AM-2PM Outside Boulder

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The Student Government Association participated in the annual Fall Festival, hosted by RAC last weekend. SGA members Jen Zimmerman, Brittany Conahan, and Charlie Taibi watch a neighborhood child bob for apples.

SGA discusses St. Mary's, Campus Safety Week

BY JESSICA HENDERSON
STAFF WRITER

The Student Government Association met last week to discuss the College's partnership with St. Mary's, The Center for Community Service and Justice's "Why Justice?" panel discussion, Project Mexico, and Campus Safety Awareness Week.

The meeting was also a debut for newly elected Speaker of the House Brittany Conahan, who ran the meeting.

Most of the discussion centered on the SGA's involvement with St. Mary's, a school in need of economic assistance on York Road. The SGA discussed ways to raise money for the school.

"It is an initiative started by Father Linnane. It's important SGA is involved with it because we are student leaders on campus," said Jen Zimmerman, director of Community Relations.

The assembling members discussed a possible school supply drive, a raffle or the selling of St. Mary's pins or T-Shirts to raise money. SGA plans to host a table outside of Boulder in the future. There will be further discussion at the next meeting in November.

SGA Vice President Jessica Ann Koontz discussed SGA involvement in the CCSJ's "Why Justice?" panel discussion which took place yesterday. She encouraged assembly members to attend to show SGA's concern for the issues.

"The whole event is part of a series that CCSJ is coordinating. If you consider yourself a student leader, you should definitely be there," said junior Dayna Pizzigoni.

Carolyn O'Neil, member of the senior assembly, spoke about Project Mexico, a 10-day student immersion program along the Tijuana border. As part of the program, Loyola hosts a silent and live

auction in November to raise money. Items up for bid range from tickets to sports events to dinners hosted by faculty members. Carolyn encouraged the SGA to get involved in the auction.

"We were hoping as a team that the assembly could get involved. The senior assembly was throwing around the idea of giving free entrance to senior events," said Carolyn O'Neil.

Liz LaBarbera, the Student Recycling coordinator, spoke about Recycling and Sustainability Week.

Events included presentations entitled "Are We Green?" and "Climate Crisis." She asked the SGA to educate their classmates about Waste Management's recycling program.

Waste Management provides single-stream recycling, which means that recyclables do not need to be sorted. Paper, bottles, cans and cardboard can be placed in one bin.

The College ordered 1,200 recycling bins last Monday, ensuring that all students have one in their apartments. The goal for this year is to recycle 25 percent of waste.

This week is Campus Safety Awareness Week. Pete Flynn, director of Student Affairs, spoke about events for the week.

On Wednesday, members of the North Precinct of the Baltimore Police Department will discuss crime trends and safety precautions.

On Thursday, students can voice questions and concerns during an open forum on campus safety.

Other upcoming events include the "Brown Bag It" presentation by the staff at Beans and Bread on Monday, "Advocacy Day" on Tuesday, Nov. 7, and CCSJ's "Meet and Eat" on Wednesday, Nov. 8.

The next SGA assembly meeting is Nov. 8.

Construction closes access road, shuttles effected

BY VERONICA WHITE
STAFF WRITER

Construction on the east side of campus caused the access road to close last week, which affects shuttle routes and students walking to the main campus.

The access road/walkway, which is between the library and Butler Hall and Hammerman House, was blocked off on Wednesday.

The blockade is taking place for safety reasons. Loyola has closed the road to connect utilities, like water and electricity, for both the library and the new residence halls. Some of the pipes are under the walkway, about 20 feet down.

They are moving the walkway to the access road and closing the route to traffic for the safety of the students.

The changes will be in effect until Jan. 17, 2007.

"The only inconvenience that the construction is causing is that only one shuttle is available to the eastside, so everyone is pretty much walking to class," said senior Patrick Brooks, a Resident Assistant in McAuley.

The school is providing shuttle service to all halls, but it will take longer because of the new routes.

Shuttle routes are adapting, such as the one to York Road between 4 and 6 p.m. which takes a slight detour at York Road and Cold Spring Lane.

The new compass route takes Millbrook Road to the Hammerman/Butler parking lot.

Students living at Aquinas Hall, McAuley Hall and Ahern can walk to either York Road or the Butler stop for

faster service. In about 2 weeks the shuttle routes will be reviewed to make sure that they are working well.

The construction will not affect many popular stops around that side of campus such as the one outside of Boulder.

"It's just a small piece [of construction]. Students will get used to the new routes," said shuttle bus driver Samuel Maddox. "McAuley and Ahern students will just need a few more minutes."

The school expects that the east side students will not react badly.

"They will adjust [to the changes] because they can see the construction going on as the reason for change," according to Collins Downing, Transportation and Parking manager.

So far students have not complained much.

"It's going to be an inconvenience, but we can't do anything about it," said McAuley resident senior Elizabeth Samolis.

The school was unable to do the construction over the summer because permits are required to begin construction and Loyola did not receive the permits for the library until about two weeks ago.

They chose this time period as the least disruptive, with the Thanksgiving break approaching and the month-long Christmas break at the semester's end.

The school is telling the contractors, at both the new resident hall and the library, that this is the only time they are given.

The contractors have to do all the work in the area now because the school does not want to disrupt the college community again.

Student parking will not be affected.

"The only inconvenience that the construction is causing is that only one shuttle is available to the eastside, so everyone is pretty much walking to class."

-Pat Brooks



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The access road from Butler and Hammerman Halls to the library and other east side residences was closed last week for construction until Jan. Shuttle routes have been altered as a result.

Upcoming elections could flip power party power

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advocating stem cell research, featuring Michael J. Fox. The race is expected to play an important role in deciding the make-up of the Senate and both candidates are thus far running neck and neck.

Tennessee is another battleground state this year, where Democratic nominee Harold Ford, Jr. is polling close behind Republican Bob Corker for the seat being

abdicated by current Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist (R-Tenn.). The two are

“When in doubt, go paper, go low-tech.”

-Governor Bob Erlich

polling extremely close, and some give Ford a slight lead over Corker. The race erupted in controversy last week when the Republican National Committee ran an attack ad against Ford that some have called racist in nature. Corker has come out against the ad and the RNC has since stopped running it.

For the first time since 1986, a Senate seat is open in Maryland. Congressman Ben Cardin (D-Md.) and Lieutenant Governor Michael Steele (R-Md.) will vie for the seat abdicated by Democrat Paul Sarbanes.

While Maryland is a traditionally Democratic state, Steele is relatively close behind Cardin, polling 45 percent to Cardin's 50, a closer race than many

expected.

The Maryland race has been fought mainly over issues of Iraq and Steele's closeness to Bush. Steele, who was once quoted calling Bush his “homeboy,” has thus far sought to separate himself from Bush and the G.O.P.

Also in Maryland, Baltimore Mayor Martin O'Malley (D) is running for Governor against incumbent Robert Ehrlich (R). A recent Ras-mussen poll

g i v e s O'Malley a three-point lead over Ehrlich -- 50 percent to 47.

There has been some concern over voting in Maryland, which will use new electronic voting for the elections.

In addition to the worry that such machines could be hacked into and the results skewed, there have also been reports of missing memory cards and voting machine screens freezing.

Ehrlich has advised residents to vote using absentee ballots in order to avoid any problems.

“When in doubt, go paper, go low-tech,” Ehrlich said, as reported in *The Washington Post*.

With so much at stake this election, it is no wonder that candidates and officials on both sides of the aisle are taking no chances.

Gaining football team is a long and expensive process

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As the project is still in the very beginning stages, Hollis does not have a timeline planned as of yet.

“We're just trying to look at team designs, financial considerations and see what problems other schools encountered in starting their programs,” said Hollis.

Fifty-two institutions with recently instated football programs have been contacted.

However, Hollis has only received approximately 12 responses thus far. He attributes the lack of responses to institutions' hesitancy to disclose their financial status.

Having played football in high school and now missing both the sport and the school spirit it encourages, Hollis remains optimistic about the endeavor and confident in the support of the student body on his mission.

“From everyone I've talked to, there's no one who wouldn't absolutely love having a team,” Hollis.

The last Greyhound football team was eliminated in 1933 during the Great Depression when many collegiate sports programs were being cut.

“It's my understanding that Loyola never had any intention of having another football team and at this point the administration is hesitant to even talk about it,” said Hollis.

Hollis' proposal faces a number of obstacles including Title IX constrictions which calls for equal collegiate athletic opportunities for males and females,

financial considerations and a playing field location or construction among others.

“When you talk about football, how to get it started is always an issue, but most places can figure that part out. Sustaining it over a number of years is the difficult part,” said Joseph Boylan, director of Athletics.

The difficulty of sustaining a football program is largely due to the great expense of the sport.

Boylan cited the football program at Fairfield University as an example of program which collapsed under expense considerations.

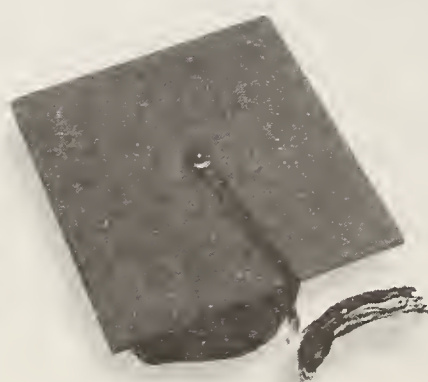
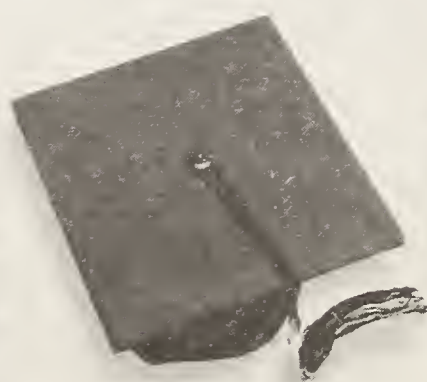
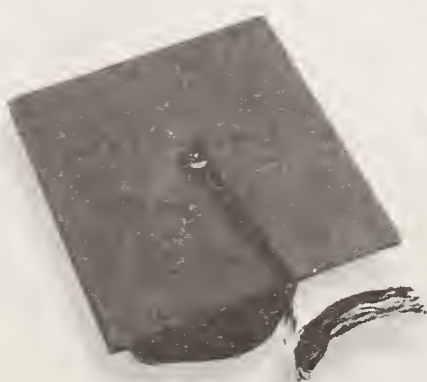
Fairfield's team got their start in 1996 but was eliminated in 2003 after only a seven year run. In favor of trimming the budget, the university eliminated both the varsity football and hockey teams citing a total \$570,000 in savings.

Additional considerations such as where to house 50 to 60 football players in terms of locker rooms and playing fields, as well as complying with Title IX regulations, indicates that the comprehensive development of a program is something that would likely take a number of years to iron out even if approved.

“Of course anything's possible, but there are a lot of challenges,” said Boylan.

Despite the long list of factors working against him, Hollis is still optimistic about his proposition stating, “I'm sure the administration would say it's unrealistic, but then again, I don't believe anyone's ever gotten to this point before.”

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Tour head to S. Africa

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the result of a search for programs throughout eastern, western, and southern Africa.

Initially, the Catholic University of Ghana was a prospect for Loyola students studying abroad because a Jesuit and the former president of Notre Dame College operate it. However, its young campus and programs did not appear to be a good fit for Loyola's interests.

While a handful of students have expressed interest in going to Accra next spring, Healy expects the first significant group to head to Ghana in the fall of 2007, although he does not have a solid

expectation for the number of students that will enroll.

Ashesi, a private university known for its business and computer science departments, will offer students access to a number of programs not normally available abroad.

Additionally, a group of Loyola students is traveling to South Africa for a study tour between Dec. 28 and Jan. 8. The tour begins in Johannesburg and then spends several days in Cape Town.

Thirteen students and one faculty member will accompany two tour guides managed by Hotfoot Africa, a South African tour group with connections to Baltimore.



ALEXANDRA DYKHOUSE/GREYHOUND

Many bar and restaurant owners feel that passing a citywide smoking ban would affect their business. In cities that have already banned smoking, there have been no economic problems.

Smoking ban likely to be passed at spring vote

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list who have not yet approved a ban.

"It happened in New York, but most of the bars I go to just let you smoke anyway and take the fine," said sophomore Brian McGeever.

Over 200 people crammed into City Hall for the hearing and both advocates and opponents of the bill testified at a meeting that lasted over five hours. Doctors and health groups mainly spoke in favor of the ban, while those in opposition to it were mainly restaurant and bar owners.

"There is no safe level of second-hand smoke," said Baltimore City Health Commissioner Dr. Joshua Sharfstein, who claims that working an eight hour shift in a bar is tantamount to smoking 16 cigarettes.

Restaurant and bar owners who oppose the ban do so mainly on the grounds that a smoking ban would hurt their business. However, in all cities which have already imposed similar restrictions, there appears to be no negative economic affects.

"Everyone agrees that fewer people should smoke. All we're saying is 'don't try to accomplish that goal on the backs of our businesses,'" said Melvin R. Thompson, vice president of the Restaurant Association of Maryland.

Jeff Evans, owner and general manager of Favorites Pub on York Road says that while he is personally against a smoking ban, professionally, he is all for it.

"As long as it's a level playing field, I don't see how it can hurt any business," said Evans. "When you have New York and the Republic of Ireland passing bans like these, it's going to be pretty tough for this law to not get passed."

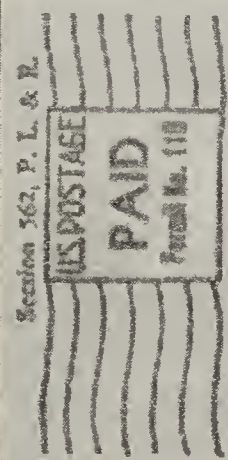
"At bars, people are just drinking and having a good time, it's a classic drinking venue," said sophomore Bryan Doscher, who is against City Council passing the ban.

Many Council members at last Wednesday's meeting believe that a smoking ban in Baltimore would lead to a statewide smoking ban later this session.

City Council President Sheila Dixon had remained vague on her standing of the issue until last Wednesday when she said that she could support a local ban on smoking in bars and restaurants.

Her position has the potential to become very significant because Dixon will serve the remainder of Mayor Martin O'Malley's term if he is elected Governor, and would be in position to sign the bill into law.

"Regardless of the outcome, I think we'll all learn to live with it," Evans said.



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—THE GREYHOUND EDITORIAL— Where there's smoke, there's fire

Sitting on the cusp of November, election season is in full swing and candidates eagerly await their Election Day fate. Because the majority of Loyola students do not live in their respective home states, it can be hard to stay in touch with local issues and remain civically active. While this is understandable, students should be cognizant of other opportunities they have to be politically involved.

Over the last three weeks, an abortion debate has developed in pages of *The Greyhound*. Loyola's student representation was called into question, as well. In three weeks, a group of Loyola students will head to Fort Benning, Ga., to protest the School of the Americas. Many segments of the Loyola College student population clearly take its politics seriously.

With that example, Loyola students should make their way to the polls next week in droves. Yet in 2004, just more than 40 percent of eligible voters ages 18-24 voted. At such a critical time in our nation's history, we should be striving to effect necessary changes as we see fit.

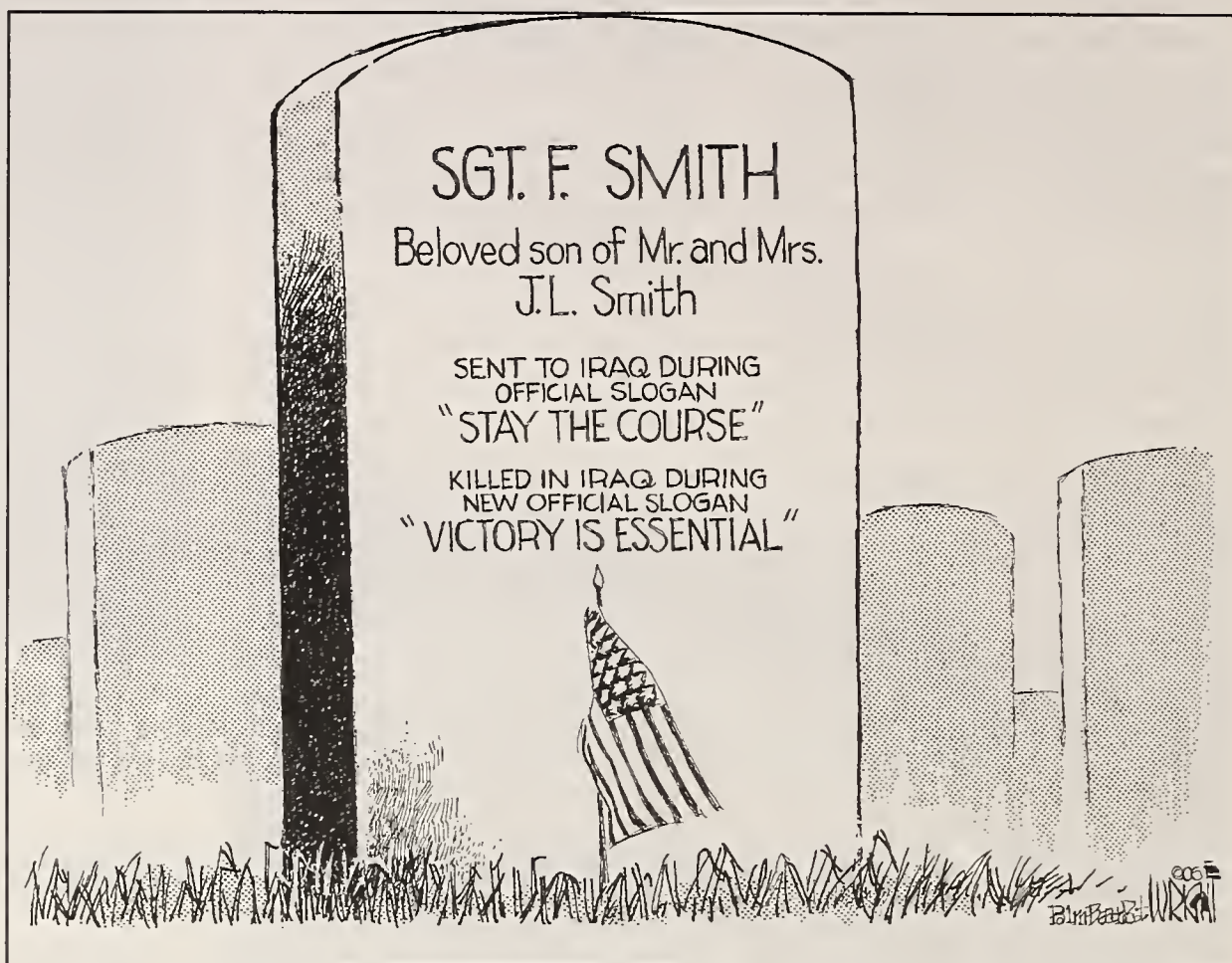
A pair of races here in Maryland are captivating -- one for the U.S. Senate, the other for Maryland's governorship. As residents in the Old Line State, students should take interest in the direction the state is heading. The decisions made during this election -- and most elections, for that matter -- will likely have an impact on Loyola students in the future.

This is evidenced by last week's debate of a smoking ban by the Baltimore City Council. As students at a college where bar culture is obviously an issue, and residents of a city with many worthwhile attractions, a possible smoking ban is of great interest.

The Evergreen campus has its share of smokers and non-smokers alike, so a meaningful dialogue should not be difficult to foster. It is important, however, that students move beyond dialogue and take action as they see fit.

Debating the merits of a smoking ban is a nearly perfect means of fomenting political and social involvement on campus, providing students with the opportunity to become involved in an issue that proves closer to home than most and will have a direct impact on their lives. For seniors, a looming graduation may preclude interest, but underclassmen should certainly move to get involved however they can.

■ Victory -- at any cost



Students deserve answer to gang rumors

Why has the administration neglected to inform the student body that the newest form of gang initiation along York Road is to find a Loyola student, jump him, and severely beat him? Is it too much to ask for the dissemination of information that could have a direct effect on whether or not we live or die?

Now, I understand why Public Safety would be unwilling to report on unconfirmed rumors about such a serious situation, but when a rumor like this is widespread throughout the student body, something needs to be said. Really though, this is just the perfect addition to the absurdity that has been occurring on and near campus this year.

Honestly, can anyone deny the facts about what has been happening? If you're looking for anecdotal evidence, here's some.

Within the span of a week, I personally have had my cable lock cut and my bicycle stolen from behind my dorm, forcibly took it back the next morning when I saw the individuals who stole it ride

past my building on my bicycle, and had a youth of gang-initiation age poorly attempt to rob my roommate and me with a group of similarly aged individuals along York Road. More has happened in these two months of living on the East Side than in my two decades of living in the Bronx.

Is this something that students and parents need to know? I doubt I'm alone in saying that I certainly think so. I generally like to give the benefit of the doubt to the administration, but if this "rumor" is true, how irresponsible and dangerous is it to sit on this information? Part of the problem of the violence on York is that students are not getting the message through the vague incident reports that always end with the same advice: do not walk on York Road at night.

If a Public Safety announcement appeared in our inboxes with the Subject "Gang Violence Directed at Loyola Students," people would pay attention. Even within the Loyola bubble, not all of us delude ourselves into thinking that

Baltimore is a magical place where we can roam free and protected. We have a responsibility for our own personal safety -- but on the same token, Loyola also has a responsibility to us.

Is it so much to ask that we not be kept in the dark here? We understand that Public Safety is doing their best to help keep us safe, but maybe their best just isn't good enough anymore.

Oh, and those three kids that stole my bicycle? The kids who were seen riding down Notre Dame Lane with cable cutters in their hands? The kids who were seen jumping over the back fence into Aquinas? The kids who were consistently seen in the same area that was plagued by a shocking amount of stolen bicycles? They were picked up a few days later for -- surprise, surprise -- stealing bicycles. Why haven't we heard about that?

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POLL QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

Would you favor a law banning smoking in public places?

- Yes - Ruin your lungs on your own time!
- No - What's next, no more drinking in public?
- I don't care. The only kind of smoking I do is already illegal, anyway.

Last issue's poll: (Results not scientific)
Does the presence of BCPD officers on campus make you feel safer?

- Yes. (79%)
- If I was looking for a police state, I would have studied abroad in North Korea. (13%)
- No. (8%)

BCPD, guns bring more danger than protection

The turning point for me was last Tuesday. My roommate and I were walking down York Road at midnight trying to get a cab. We got all the way to Corky's with

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numerous police cars and ambulances whizzing by us, but no taxis. We started wondering about all the police action, but weren't overly concerned until a man approached us and asked, pointing in the direction of Craig's, "Are guys going that way?"

We nodded and he casually warned us not to go. There was a shooting at Swallow at the Hallow, he said.

A shooting at a Loyola bar?! Yep, I think that was the point when I decided not to walk down York at night. My life is worth waiting in the cold at CVS and paying the five dollar cab fee to Craig's.

Later that night, a friend of mine who works at Swallow's explained that the shooting didn't take place at the bar. Someone was merely shot in a car and pulled over in front of our neighborhood pub to call an ambulance.

Still a little too close to home. Obviously, after this episode, the last thing I want to see is more guns, especially on my own campus. Living off York Road is excitement

enough on its own, thank you.

After the shooting in Lancaster, Pa., some politicians brought up the idea of arming teachers. Is that serious? There's a problem with violence in schools so let's add more guns and just have an old fashion western shoot-out to resolve problems.

Frank Lasee, a Republican in Wisconsin, argues that guns would work because they are already in effect in other countries.

"Israel and Thailand have well-trained teachers carrying weapons and keeping their children safe from harm," Lasee said.

"It can work in Wisconsin."

This is all fine and dandy except that last time I checked, Wisconsin wasn't engaged in a bloody tiff with Muslim separatists like Thailand, or at war with Lebanon. I'm not sure you can really compare the situations.

There's another problem too: that little law that bans guns on school grounds.

A better idea might be teaching kids how to react in the case of an emergency or investing in a self-defense course. Greg Crane, a former police officer, is now a teacher of self-defense. This is no ordinary class. Response Options, as it's called, teaches students and teachers to defend themselves using their surroundings. Maybe a little self-defense isn't a bad idea for Loyola. Understandably, in some cases,

the best thing to do is hand over your wallet and run, but defense also includes being aware of your environment and how to protect yourself if someone physically attacks you. Just throwing a few guns into the mix isn't going to solve the problem as easily as Loyola might think.

On the front page of last week's *Greyhound*, there was an article about Baltimore City Police being added to our Loyola force. There was only one little line mentioning that these cops are armed. The addendum was referred to as a "safety umbrella."

"Our number one concern is to offer an overall safety umbrella for the entire community," said Tim Fox, director of Public Safety.

A safety umbrella -- what a cute way of explaining to the student body that Loyola has just introduced guns onto campus.

I know that the Baltimore police on campus aren't planning a show and tell of their guns in the classrooms, but I'm not sure it's such a good idea carrying them at all. They are off duty, so it's not like they are just at work and it's necessary. Their presence is supposed to ward off potential criminals.

But BCPD have been riding around in Loyola police cars, so the entire purpose has been defeated. How are trespassers going to be intimidated by the BCPD when

“BCPD have been riding around in Loyola Police cars. Their entire purpose has been defeated. How are trespassers going to be intimidated by the BCPD if they're disguised as LCPD?”

Armed BCPD will help ensure student protection

I would never want to be in charge of ensuring the safety of a college campus. By that, I don't mean that I couldn't care less about the topic of campus safety, but rather that I don't envy the people that are game

SUSAN LEITHOLF

enough to do it. College students can be a tough bunch -- and being charged with the mission of keeping us safe is no easy task.

That's why I support the recent measure of adding armed Baltimore City Police Department (BCPD) officers to the team.

A few lines ago, I called college students a "tough bunch," and I still stand by that;

however, I also believe that overall, we are a good bunch. This doesn't mean that we don't get into our fair share of trouble; some of us do. Oftentimes, this trouble takes place off campus and spills into the surrounding community, sometimes requiring the involvement of the BCPD. In last week's front-page article entitled "BCPD added to Loyola police force," Director of Public Safety Tim Fox mentioned that "between 12 and 13 officers" are currently affiliated with Loyola. The article also mentioned that Loyola's decision to employ these officers arose from a desire "to expand coverage of the more dangerous areas surrounding the Evergreen campus."

One can hardly blame these BCPD officers for wanting to take a more active role in working toward the safety of Loyola students and of the community in which the students are privileged to reside during their college years.

I find that word -- privilege -- to be particularly important in this setting. A second article in last week's *Greyhound* on the same topic, *The Greyhound's* own editorial, mentioned that one particular area to be a focus of this beefed-up security force is "the east side of campus." I personally live on the west side and am very happy there. However, I know that one of the main attractions of the east side, (both the on-campus and the off-campus living accommodations), is that it is commonly perceived as less supervised than the rest of campus. I'm not sure that's a good thing.

If you're not doing anything wrong, why do you care about supervision? Specifically, why do you care about supervision that is intended to ensure your safety?

Another line from the editorial written by some of my fellow Greyhounds is actually something with which I disagree. The line reads as follows: "The presence of Loyola police carrying firearms sends a message to students that the campus is insecure."

No.

I believe that the campus is secure but simply could be more secure. The BCPD cops will help Loyola work toward this end.

There was another piece of that editorial with which I disagreed.

The editorial mentions that original Loyola officers should be the only ones allowed to respond to "student incidents." What bothered me was the reasoning behind the idea -- that Loyola officers have a greater "rapport" with the students.

Give the BCPD officers a chance to develop their own rapport.

However, I did not completely disagree with the editorial.

they're disguised as LCPD?

Is the only differentiating feature of the Baltimore officer his gun? Potential criminals wouldn't know about the Baltimore cops unless he pulls his weapon, and then what? The thief pulls his gun and then we have mini-WWIII in Gallagher? Is this what we're trying to provoke?

Having extra police presence on campus is definitely appreciated because we want to keep Loyola as safe as possible. The way to go about making Loyola safer is keeping BCPD on campus and guns off. It only makes sense. Having a BCPD cop car stationed in strategic places on campus is a much better deterrent to crime than having guns. Guns that remain unknown to the very criminals they are intended to defend against until they are already pulled -- at which point, in all likelihood, damage has already been done.

BCPD is more than welcome on campus, but put a sign up. When houses get an alarm installed they put a sign on the lawn saying, "protected by the Slomin Shield." Loyola needs a big ol' sign that says, "Yeah, we have Baltimore Police on patrol, WITH GUNS, so back off."

Saturday's shooting near Swallow's involved a bullet grazing a man's head. It's possible he wasn't the target and got caught in the crossfire. Just think -- it could have been you. Hanging out late night watching some TV in your living room and a stray BCPD bullet goes through your window and grazes your head. But don't worry -- the little frosh that was wandering through Gallagher was spared his cell phone.

I don't know folks. It doesn't seem like this gun thing adds up.

I absolutely agree with the stated desire for an evaluation of the BCPD program a year down the road.

I also agree with the belief that we should have heard about this new measure sooner. We get e-mails about everything under the sun, so an e-mail regarding such a significant change to the campus should have been in order.

However, I don't want that oversight to detract from the benefits of the change. Let's be open-minded, shall we?

Even though I will graduate and leave Loyola at the one-year evaluation point, I still hope that the evaluation will in fact take place and more importantly, will be taken seriously.

I want the safety of this campus to be of paramount importance for those in positions of authority so that other students can enjoy it, as I have and do, for years to come.

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Recently, Loyola College began employing armed, Baltimore City officers. The officers, though, use Loyola Campus Police vehicles, drawing little attention, and therefore, some say, doing little good. Will they help protect or increase the risk of danger?

Get out and vote -- if you can muster the strength

I understand. It's hard.
We are college students.
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BRIDGETHANAHAN

At this point, we're lucky if we can manage to get to class with all of our homework done on time. And don't even get me started with all of the extracurricular activities we juggle.

And jobs.

Lord above, we have jobs. Over worked, underpaid.

Give us a break.

We are a bunch of twenty-somethings on the verge of something big. Like this weekend's party plans. So certainly, when it comes to matters outside of our collegiate sphere, we cannot be expected to keep on top of everything.

You're telling me you expect me to know who is running in these upcoming elections? I'm in Baltimore right now, I can't go home to vote.

You're telling me you expect me to go through the trouble of filling out an absentee ballot? Do you have any idea what you're asking?

First of all, there's the whole trouble of getting out of bed that day. It's getting colder, you know. I am not a cold weather person. Do you know what dedication and perseverance it takes to leave the warmth of my cozy bed?

A shower? Don't push your luck. And then there's the process of getting dressed. Ugh. One leg in the pants, then the other, and then you have to bend down and put on your shoes, which is always uncomfortable because your pant legs are stiff your muscles haven't woken up yet.

Do you have any idea what a hassle filling out an absentee ballot is? First of all you have to turn on your computer. Then you actually have to type in the Web site http://www.sos.state.ga.us/elections/elections/voter_information/absentee_ballot_app.pdf

to even get the application.

Who the heck knows that? It's not like you can just Google these things.

And you can't even just print out a ballot, you

actually have to apply for it. You have to print out the application. I mean, you actually have to turn on your printer and push print or, heaven help us, walk to a computer lab to print it out there. Let's not get carried away.

Then, get this, the application is like five lines long.

You think I know things like my name and

address off the top of my head?

And the district that I live in? I will never be able to find that.

Then of course there's the entire process of mailing the application. I can't spend money on an envelope or a stamp. I have beers to buy this weekend.

And when my county finally does mail me my actual ballot back, I have to fill that whole thing out. Do you know what that entails?

I have to choose someone to vote for? Like I care who is running for these elections.

Like I could even name one person who is running. Then, I have to mail it back again. That's more money gone on envelopes and stamps. What a rip off the U.S. Postal Service is.

But who really cares? This isn't even the presidential elections.

It's not like my vote matters anyway. I didn't get my way last election and look at the country now. One vote won't make a difference.

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Our country gives us the right.

Let's use it.

“One vote won't make a difference...but 3,533 votes do. There are 3,533 students here at Loyola. That's 3,533 voices that should be heard. Our country gives us the right [to be heard]...let's use it.”

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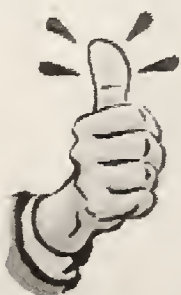
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Halloweiners -- Finally the day is upon us. The day that at one time in our lives meant gluttonous consumption of candy. Now, we celebrate with a gluttonous consumption of alcohol. And let us not under-appreciate the one night that it's (almost) acceptable for girls to dress as a slutty (insert respectable profession here).

Memory Lane -- As many seniors know, our fastidious *Greyhound* Opinions editor Nick Brown is putting together a memory book -- just for us! Unfortunately, Nick's a trifle forgetful and can't seem to remember everyone's individual most-beloved moments, so he needs your help. Submit a 50-500 word description of your favorite Loyola memory so we can all recall the moments we wish we wouldn't have forgotten. Just make sure not to blatantly describe anything that you wouldn't tell your mother and you can win \$100. That's like 50 beers worth of great new memories!

Crucible Me -- Feel like a little culture in your life? Nothing to do on Sunday afternoon? Head to McManus and catch a performance of Arthur Miller's "The Crucible." You'll find more drama than a Saturday night and see some characters nastier than a Baltimore cab driver. There's even some naked dancing!



Shuttle Befuddled -- As if shuttle service wasn't bad enough for those of us who live on the Far East side of campus, construction has rerouted Ted and company, leaving many seniors cut off, abandoned to be annexed by York Road. With the library access road shut down, the "senioritis impulse" to skip school and avoid the frigid weather and weekly rains will only increase.

Don't Cry for Me, Africa -- In case you missed this week's pop culture drama, the media has been making an awfully big deal about Madonna's recent adoption. *Like a Virgin*, she couldn't conceive a child so she went to Africa and stole one, ensuring him a safe and prosperous life. Call it a "baby abduction," but hers is a "Ray of Light" in comparison to the thousands of abused children whose cries we don't hear.

Extreme Makeover -- Everyone loves makeovers -- unless of course they involve chopping off beloved parts of your appearance, like the demolition of the picture-perfect elm in front of the library. Our favorite place to read, (ok...nap), is gone forever, leaving behind it the ominous appearance of our *least* favorite place to read. At least they waited for Recycling and Sustainability Awareness week to end before they started to cut what little signs of "evergreen" remained on this campus.

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Halloween vs. St. Patrick's Day: The Ultimate Battle

You know how Christmas shopping begins the day after Thanksgiving? It's the same way with Halloween. Sure it's pretty

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fun while it's happening, but as soon as it's over it feels like it happened years ago and all you can think about is the next great college holiday, St. Paddy's.

It's impossible to even pretend that St. Paddy's isn't the quintessential collegiate day (and Craigsfest doesn't count because it is an incomprehensible anomaly). When people say the words "American College Life" the words that come up in free association nine times out of ten are "binge drinking." And with all the Irish coffee, Irish beer, Irish whiskey, and Irish-ized regular beer with the help of a little green food coloring, the match was clearly made in heaven.

So if we can all agree that St. Paddy's is the day for college kids to eat, drink, and do all things college, what's so great about Halloween? It can't be the history of it, unless of course you're a devil worshipping pagan (like Mike Calabrese) paranoid about the evil spirits that might try to come out on All Souls' Day.

St. Paddy's Day? That was born out of the triumphant expulsion of the snakes from all the breweries in Ireland by St. Patrick. Try and find something sinister about that.

Likewise, unlike Halloween, finding a good costume is simple: do you own something green that you can wear? Perfect. You are now welcome at every St. Paddy's gathering from now until eternity.

And another thing about costumes:

there's a little too much cross-dressing and a few too many guys in tights every year. I don't know if this is some celebration of the one day to air your Freudian suppressions guilt-free or what, but if I have to see one more hairy, overweight guy in drag I might dress up like a "someone who just vomited all over himself."

Doesn't it also feel like a perversion of a kids' holiday when you see Halloween at Fell's Point? I distinctly remember dressing up like Leonardo the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle in kindergarten, and joy of joys, eating candy until my blood sugar crashed. Let me know if Fell's looks anything less than R-rated tonight and help me preserve my childhood memories.

St. Paddy's has always been what it will be next March 17: a celebration of Irish-Americans loving the fact that they're Irish. And who doesn't want to be Irish?

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Leave it to a man who's BAC is higher than his GPA to choose St. Paddy's over Halloween. As youngsters, every Johnny Jackolantern and Suzy Spook got an opportunity to terrorize the neighborhood adorned in Batman, Spiderman, California Raisin, and Power Ranger costumes demanding chocolate goodies, and cursing any house which dared provide apples or

candy corn as a suitable substitute. Cavities be damned, every one of us had the opportunity to run amuck. From smashing pumpkins to burning bags of poo, Halloween was a free for all of fun.

Now fast-forward to our collegiate days. Just as we reached the age when trick-or-treating became unfashionable, Halloween once again provided us with a reason to delight. Women all across this great nation were given the opportunity to dress promiscuously without reprimand. From the naughty kitten to the sultry French maid, women decided to throw caution to the wind, and for one evening go slutty. And who doesn't enjoy women displaying what God gave them (Ryan and his unusual

attraction to Mets' center fielder Carlos Beltran aside)?

In addition to the female eye candy, Halloween also provides the opportunity for a unique form of

expression -- the offensive costume.

Now when I say "offensive," I don't mean Ryan Kamp in spandex. I mean one of those costumes where you'll laugh but won't feel good about laughing. I'm talking JFK Jr. with seaweed and a life preserver, a man covered in saran-wrap with monopoly houses and motels glued on spinning around the room as Hurricane Katrina, or a handsy Rep. Foley looking for studly pages. Those kinds of costumes.

It is one day of the year when the nation as a whole can loosen up. Let me leave you with one of my fondest Halloween memories.

As a freshman at the University of Missouri, I got my first taste of Halloween college-style. Many students took the holiday very seriously and began their costumes preparations long before the 31st day of October. I, a procrastinator by nature, threw my costume together at the last minute. I went to the Frat parties dressed as Avril Lavigne. A sleeveless tee shirt, tie, a trucker hat, wig, skull and crossbone wrist band, black nail polish, I was the spitting image of the Canadian rocker. Later that evening, while fraternizing with a young lady dressed as the Riddler, the party was busted by campus police.

So there I stood, an Avril clone, with my new Riddler friend, and a fat frat brother dressed as the Stay Puff Marshmallow man. The police officer began chuckling while asking us questions, but when he got to me, a Halloween miracle transpired.

When he asked me how old I was, I responded in Russian, a language I was currently taking. He looked puzzled and repeated his questions. I began to rant and rave, flailing my arms about, convinced that if he didn't understand me he would let me leave. And after a few minutes of discussion, he became wary and did just that, informing the other officers to let the "exchange" student move along.

So what did I learn from my cross-dressing Missouri days? Halloween is the one day of the year its okay to be strange, slutty, offensive, mischievous, and at times a downright fraud. So cherish it, Loyola students, because sooner or later the opportunities to act this way will dry up and you will be the one stomping out flaming bags of dog poop on your front stoop.

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Modern All Hallows' Eve misses point

It looks like the secular West has done it again. Once again, we come upon the end of October to the holiday that makes the

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candy companies the most money of any in the year, Halloween. It seems that our beloved culture has trivialized and secularized what was at one time an extremely religious holiday taken very seriously. Most people today 'celebrate' Halloween without regard to any of its religious significance at all, and they don't seem to care.

Halloween originated as a pagan holiday celebrated in the British Isles by the Celts before the Roman invasion. The end of October brought the end of the growing season. The period of time that followed was a time associated with death, which made perfect sense, because everything died.

Part of the Halloween celebration was building huge bonfires on which to burn holocausts of animals and crops to supplicate for conditions favorable for survival through the winter, when food would be scarce and living conditions harsh.

It was believed that this day was one of few in the year that the realms of the living and the dead came close together. Thus,

the conditions were favorable for telling fortunes and reading the future of one's life. These were the people who used Stonehenge!

When Christianity took over, it simply appropriated the holiday to its own understanding of the cosmos. In a missionary effort to encourage and facilitate the conversion of the peoples who celebrated Halloween but were reluctant to relinquish their traditions, Pope Gregory III switched the feast of All Saints from May 13 to the first day of November. This feast was traditionally commemorative of all the

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saints in Heaven, both known and unknown. This way, the pagans who were converting could still have festivities at around the same time and for the same reason every year. This modification kept with the true spirit of the holiday and still made it meaningful for a new culture.

I fail to understand how so many people can be totally ignorant of the meaning of a day but still celebrate it with such fervor. I don't expect everyone to be a historian, but I have found that very few people even know that the origin of the name of

Halloween comes from All-Hallows' Eve, the day before All Hallows' (meaning 'holy' a.k.a. 'saints') Day. Nobody cares to even get informed about the traditions they continue to enjoy. It seems like they are happy as long as they get their candy. But hey, I guess we can't really blame them.

The true spirit of Halloween is gone. Halloween at one time was an extremely religious holiday, and it continued to be through the changes of the succeeding generations. Somehow, it survives in the modern day as a day that people in residential neighborhoods hope to survive with their windows intact. We celebrate it here at college by dressing up like fools (most of us), getting drunk (some of us), going out and acting ridiculously (a few of us), and eating more than our share of candy (practically all of us).

I don't recall seeing or hearing of anyone taking advantage of the day to remember the dead or to pray for help for themselves and their families through the trials to come. Halloween could be a day that people use to take a serious inventory of their lives in anticipation of the trials that are to come. Instead, most of them just walk around trying not to trip over pumpkins.

Having special celebrations on a day that has become otherwise devoid of meaning or significance makes it more of a hollow-day than a holiday. We have again managed to trivialize even issues of life and death! I wonder if there are any other sacred things that this society makes not only secular but profane. I can't wait until Christmas.

Halloween about fun, "boos"

Halloween is, without question, one of the greatest days of the year. As children, we looked forward to Halloween with an anticipation equal only to that of our birthdays and Christmas morning. We planned our costumes weeks or months in advance, and when Oct. 31 finally rolled

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around, we put them on, gathered with our friends, and began to scour the neighborhood for candy.

Pillowcases in hand, we trick-or-treated until Mom or Dad said that it was far too late to incessantly ring doorbells in hopes of sugarcoated delights. And when we finally did get home we didn't count the calories and grams of fat in all the candy we toiled so hard

for, we merely counted and compared and boasted the astronomical number of sweets we had obtained.

And then we ate.

We were absolutely

gluttonous for one night. And the next morning, stomachs aching, we began counting down the days until the next year's Halloween.

As college students, Halloween has come to represent something very different than it did throughout our childhood. We still dress up, but long gone are the days of candy-hunting and walking in parades around the school parking lot. Instead, Halloween is now a night of pure debauchery. But if you really look and compare our actions on Halloween 10 years ago to our actions this year, you'll see one astonishing similarity: overindulgence. As

kids it was candy, as college students it's alcohol.

And there's absolutely nothing wrong with that. As young kids we weren't criticized for eating candy in complete and utter excess, and it's ridiculous to condemn our behavior as college students on Halloween. For as long as we can remember, society has done nothing but instill upon us the notion that the night exists solely as an excuse to live gluttonously. Plus, a lot of costumes would be a lot less hilarious and more offensive if we weren't a few deep.

Speaking of costumes, there's another reason to love Halloween. For one night a year we get to dress up as whatever we want, be whoever we want to be. As kids it was always our favorite superhero or athlete, but as college students, we tend to think a little differently. It's not uncommon to find

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someone dressed up as an inanimate object or some obscure movie character. Group costumes are always popular too, especially among girls,

who usually like to dress up as a scantily clad... well, a scantily clad anything. I'm sure there are about nine people out there who protest the provocative female costume tradition, and to them I say lighten up.

For one night a year, girls can leave their v-neck halter tops and outrageously short miniskirts in their closets and dress seductively, without the fear of being harshly criticized by others for dressing in such a fashion. The night essentially turns into a contest of who can get away with wearing the least, regardless of the usual 40-degree weather. But even a blizzard

would probably have a hard time convincing most girls to leave their hundred-dollar Victoria's Secret costumes unworn in the box.

Guys, on the other hand, need to get extremely creative to have a successful costume. Nobody wants to look like 10 other guys at the bar, so we tend to put a great deal of thought into our costumes, in hopes of getting a few laughs and demonstrating our wit (I once saw a guy dressed as the menstrual cycle). Whatever costume we do end up choosing though, we wear it with extreme pride and do our best to act the part.

And that's what the whole costume culture is really about -- acting the part -- escaping reality for a night.

Coupled with the aforementioned overindulgence, Halloween is always guaranteed to be a great time. We eat, we drink, and we are oh-so-merry. Sure, there are those who condemn the gluttonous debauchery, but for at least one night a year, separating ourselves entirely from the stresses and frustrations of classes, homework, and exams is absolutely necessary, and all it takes is a little imagination and some "boo's."

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What are you going to be for Halloween?

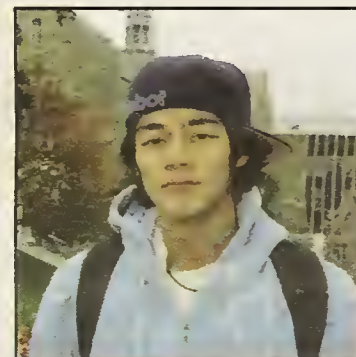
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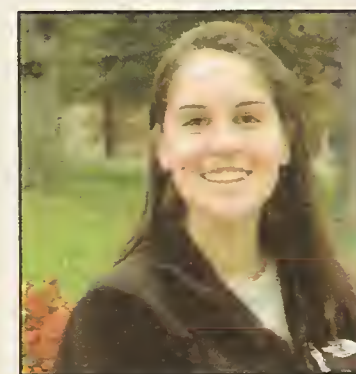
"Stone Cold Steve Austin."
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"Golfer, pom-pom hat and everything."
Missy Pearson '10
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Nothing wrong with a night of fun -- just stay safe

When you were younger, what did you do on Halloween?

You probably dressed in a legitimate costume that your grandmother made for you, and your mother took two rolls of

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pictures of you in your adorable cowboy costume before you walked out the door. You probably sprinted from house to house, paying no heed to shrubbery or freshly fallen snow, for that matter, and when it was all done, you participated in the ultimate Halloween tradition: the trade. Everyone would dump their huge pillowcases of candy that probably weighed more than you and traded your Milk Duds for the Reese's Cups.

Those were the days.

It's everyone's favorite holiday today and it seems like we should take a minute and reflect upon how Halloween has changed over the years.

Halloween has become indicative of our society and our societal values; clearly this goes without saying. But is this really such a bad thing?

When I was still trick-or-treating in the quiet suburbs of Pittsburgh, we had to watch the news before we left the house. Why? It might not have been my neighborhood's night for trick-or-treating. It's true; I often trick-or-treated on Oct. 30, or even Oct. 29. This blasphemous statement may shock some of you, and I almost forgot to mention the curfew. Trick-or-treating was for specific neighborhoods on specific nights...during specific hours.

The two designated hours to get out there and make it count were 6-8 p.m.

8:05? The police patrolled the area and

sent the kiddies home.

Now, let's think back to when we were really young -- or even to generations past, when our parents were kids, masquerading around for candy corn.

They could run around with virtually no restrictions, unless they were imposed by their own parents. They didn't even have to check their candy before eating it to make sure it wasn't opened beforehand or poisoned (was it just my mom that expressed this upon me year after year?).

These days, the art of trick-or-treating has become a legal liability and a bureaucratic process. Is this fair? It's unfortunate, but the crime rates aren't what they were way back when -- they're much higher, and I personally feel that precautions to protect children are a shame but necessary in this day in age.

And then there's the other aspect of Halloween, which I have briefly touched upon -- the costumes.

Essentially, girls can get away with anything, and personally, I don't see the problem with that. Once again, it is indicative of our culture. But I think it's okay, as it would be for a male to dress in an unorthodox fashion as well. If a girl is traditionally conservative both in her manner and attire, if she can come out of her shell for one night and pretend to be someone else (that is the point of dressing

up for Halloween, right?), then why should there be a skirt length limit as to what is acceptable?

In all honesty, all females dress up every now and then. But it is still a costume to hike up the skirt a little more, put on a higher pair of stilettos, and maybe leave a couple buttons undone. It may not be the long-sleeved costume with the pointed hat that your grandmother gave you, but girls don't dress like nurses and cops all the time, so it

still falls within the guidelines of a Halloween costume.

However, this is a double-edged sword. Halloween night has one of the highest rates of sexual abuse reports.

Every girl should acknowledge that if she is going the more promiscuous route with her Halloween garments, safety should be first and foremost. That certainly hasn't changed over the years.

So what have we learned with our brief history of Halloween in American culture? There is added protection for kids, which may take away some of the novelty, but it is a small price to pay for some of the consequences of lurking around on All Hallow's Eve. Staying in groups and being aware of your surroundings is applicable to both small children and to us college students, especially girls. A female has every right to dress out of style and throw on the costume of her choice. It's culturally acceptable, and maybe it's a phase of the times -- maybe one day we'll all revert back

to our old costumes. Maybe we'll start dressing in accordance with the weather and incorporating face paint or masks. But for now, a conservative woman should not feel inappropriate in enjoying this holiday for what it is -- a chance to be someone else.

So everyone have fun tonight, be safe, and don't forget your first Halloweens. Embrace being young and able to still celebrate this holiday -- like everything, one day it really won't be acceptable for you and your roommates to dress up like bumblebees.

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Welcome change at polls; early voting brings hope

Is Nov. 7 a date now in the past for most Americans? Try millions. Residents of states like Arizona, which allowed voters to cast ballots beginning early last month, will now have one less stop to make on the first Tuesday of November.

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That's because Arizona is among a group of 30 U.S. states that now allow "no-excuse" absentee voting. So regardless of where the residents of those states are, not only are they able to cast their ballot, but it is a requirement. And this trend's momentum has been accumulating. Early voting, which accounted for about 20 percent of votes cast in the 2004 presidential election, has been on the rise in past presidential and midterm elections. The proportion of early voters, in addition to increasing dramatically, has shown no clear bias among whether it is a method favored more by Democrats or Republicans. However, its strong response has both parties and their candidates revamping their campaigns to get their message out as fast as possible, before the early birds cast their ballots.

It seems the age of last minute personal attack ads is becoming less effective. Those who rely on last-minute attacks on opponents in an attempt to have some influence on "swing" voters are now faced with a voting majority that favor making their informed decision weeks before the first Election Day ballot is cast.

But how effective is this method? There is obviously the convenience factor -- allowing Americans to make their decision just about anywhere -- and then there is strong speculation that this, in turn, causes a higher voter turnout. Is this just another

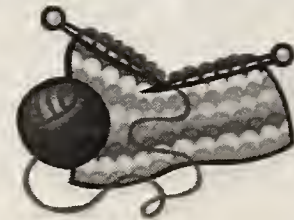
tactic by the party leaders to rally the voters to their side? We all remember the national "Get out the Vote" movement, and who can forget P. Diddy's (Diddy's) "Vote or Die" campaign? Voter registration compared to the voting age population has been low, yet voter turnout has been slowly on the rise throughout past elections. And although there is no accurate method to say whether absentee balloting has had a significant effect on higher voter turnouts, what can be accredited to early voting is its convenience to the voter, who can make a more knowledgeable decision within a longer gap of time.

There is always the reality that a shift to a heavier reliance on promoting "no-excuse" absentee voting can and will cause voter fraud. There are always going to be those who wish to cheat the system, especially new ones. But when hasn't there been fraud in our elections? With accusations of phone jamming and the infamous hanging chads, (to name just a few), there have always been flaws in our election system. The most recent issues, especially here in Maryland, are the problems polling stations are anticipating with electronic voting machines. Here there is an even greater problem: no paper trail. What will be done if a recount is necessary?

Not only does an increased reliance on requiring absentee ballots relieve the hassles of getting out to a polling station and the last-minute aggravations many face while there, but it is a more effective way to register and keep tabs on qualified voters. This is the onset of the future of voting, even if it is only a small step at this point. And like all innovations in our complicated system, experience and history tell us that revision is a necessary process.

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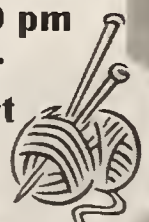
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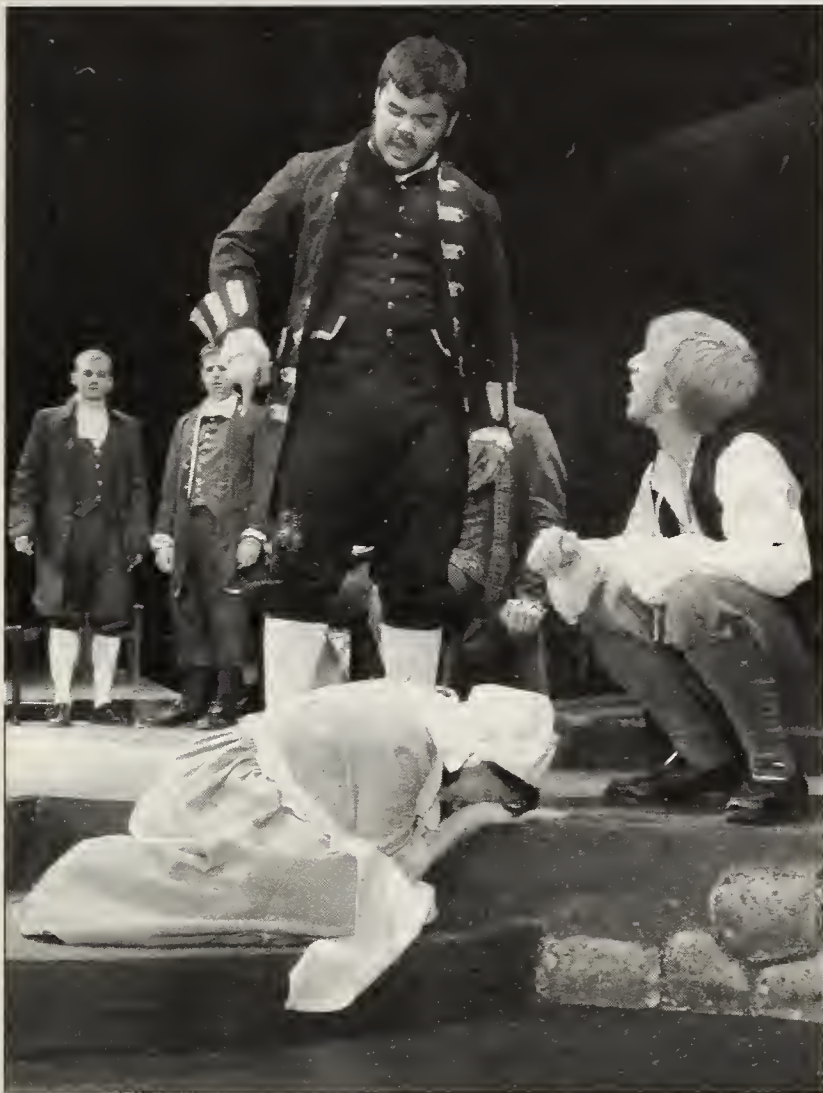
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(above) Ryan Sekac as the Deputy Governor of Salem, tries taking charge of the small community amidst the confusion and accusations of the witch trials. (top right) Chris Dillon '06 provides a powerful scowl while observing the events taking place in his once peaceful town. (bottom right) Playing the knowledgeable Reverend, Rob Sampogna '07 tries to help a young woman accused of being a witch, played by MaryAnne McElroy '10.



The PCP conjure powerful performances in "The Crucible"

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Last Friday, in the midst of blistering cold and driving rain, the Loyola College Evergreen Players opened their presentation of Arthur Miller's "The Crucible." While the storm raged outside, a storm of a different kind was acted out in McManus Theater.

Raw emotion drove the story of a small town in Massachusetts caught in a frenzy of feverous hysteria and violent accusations. In the mark of true mastery, Miller's story was not mired in the Salem witch trials of 1692, but spoke to much larger themes about the nature of truth.

A stellar cast led by Tom Saporito's John Proctor and Hilary Stingly's Abigail Williams, also featured strong performances by Ryan Sekac as Deputy Governor Danforth and MaryAnne McElroy as Elizabeth Proctor.

The play, set in the small puritan community of Salem, follows the escalating madness of the townspeople when they suspect witches among the population. Almost as if peeking into a closed community, the actors crowd around a bed or a table. Usually in a circle the formation causes them to sometimes face away from the audience. This reduces the clarity of the actors' voices, but furthers

the sense of secrecy and deception.

Reverend Parris, played commandingly by Patrick Galloway, calls in a leading expert on witches, Reverend John Hale, played by Rob Sampogna to help rid the town of witches. Soon, others claim grievances that they can only explain as evidence of sorcery. Seizing power, the group of girls led by Abigail Williams, begin accusing people that they dislike or wish to seek revenge upon. Most notably is John Proctor's wife, Elizabeth.

Eventually the madness takes hold of the town and many innocents are convicted and executed. Recalling the McCarthyism of the '50s the accused are considered guilty upon accusation. Abigail and her fellow girls wield untapped power and the Deputy and courts side with them. They wail about the stage yet maintain the vision of prim Puritans in their stark white bonnets and perfect braids.

In a dynamic performance, Sekac as Deputy Governor Danforth struts across the stage with authority and asserts the unwavering fist of the law. Despite a monumental effort by Proctor to save his wife, he ends up becoming accused himself.

The final scene, set in a cell in Salem jail, finds a changed Hale

counseling the prisoners to falsely confess in the interest of preserving their lives. Sampogna lends a futile hope to the final scenes in the face of an unrelenting Danforth. The real branches hung above the stage echoed the bitter New England winter and the desolation of the townspeople. Cast shadows evoked a realism not often felt on stage.

The choice of a female judge, although perhaps not historically accurate, was nonetheless effective, as Catherine Jahn conveyed enough authority to silence anyone.

The play was very well done, although the piercing voices of a few girls might have taken away from Miller's words. While emotive, perhaps they might be tempered a bit for annunciation.

In the closing moments of the play John Proctor is met with a situation we should all fear to meet. Wrought with doubt, Saporito as Proctor exudes a sense of latent tragedy. Yet as he is badgered by the Deputy his resolve grows.

The staunch Rebecca Nurse, suffused with gentle humility by Katie Bagley guides him to his final stand. He cannot hand over his signed confession. We feel his aching sorrow but are awed by his upright display of goodness.

Rushing to his wife's side, they are prostrate with grief. We feel

their agony, and I am positive I saw more than one tear travel down a cheek.

A great performance, check out Arthur Miller's "The Crucible," playing next Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. in McManus Theater.



“Running with Scissors” displays the insanity of family life

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Tool's Rating:
3 out of 4

I'll admit to the horrible truth: I've never read an Augusten Burroughs novel. But, if “Running with Scissors” is anything like the memoir it is based on, I am going to start reading.

No, I can't speak to the Burroughs devotees out there and comment on how well the movie adapts the book. What I can tell you is that, on its own, “Running with Scissors” is a great movie filled with



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Joseph Cross plays the role of precocious young novelist, Augusten Burroughs. He does well, but seems a bit old for the part.

memorable performances. Yeah, the “coming of age in a crazy family memoir” genre is getting a little tired, but this one provides enough of an eccentric, psychotic twist to stand out on its own.

The film follows the early life of novelist Augusten Burroughs. As a precocious child, he developed a strong attachment to his tortured poet of a mother. Her obsession with becoming a “real” poet, as opposed to one who has to give readings in the bookstore, begins to consume the lives of her son and her husband, and her decision to start getting therapy sets in motion a series of events that only spread her insanity around, instead of treating it.

Writer/director Ryan Murphy puts together a good script to bring out both the humor and the torture that coexist in mental instability, but all he really has to do is hand this one over to his cast. Annette Bening is outstanding as Augusten's mother, bringing depth to a character that is not crazy because of any mental illness, but because of the frustrations that have plagued her as a mother and a poet. She plays foil to Alec Baldwin, Augusten's exasperated father, whose alcoholism provides Bening the perfect outlet for blame for their collapsing family.

The real insanity comes with the introduction of the Finch family, headed by Bening's unconventional and unsuccessful therapist, Dr. Finch (Brian Cox). Cox's straight faced delivery of poop omens and words like “masturbatorium” quickly make him a favorite, despite his character's lack of dynamic. Rounded out by the Bible-thumping Gwyneth Paltrow and the hippie-realist Evan Rachel Wood as Cox's starkly

opposing daughters, the Finch home becomes more of a loony bin than anything else.

In the end, the movie is about people dealing with their issues. Augusten (played by a too-old Joseph Cross) has to deal with staying faithful to his increasingly disaffected mother after she has him legally adopted by the Finch family. Wood is clearly the only mostly-sane Finch in the house, encouraging the openly gay Augusten to hook up with her adopted older brother (Joseph Fiennes). Paltrow's character is a less than subtle commentary on the mental state of the religious right.

Baldwin's deadpan weathering of the storm that is Bening's psychosis at the beginning of the film leaves a noticeable void for the remainder of the story. Fiennes, playing the film's most troubled (and most interesting) character struggles to carry on a normal relationship with Cross while dealing with his own mental issues.

There is commentary on family life, the nature of insanity, and an overarching question of “who's in charge?” that gives



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Annette Bening was a wonderful selection to play Augusten Burroughs' mother in this film adaptation. She plays the role of a tortured poet to perfection — a foil to Burroughs' father, played by Alec Baldwin.

the humor some substance. The mixture of dumb comedy with teenage angst also hits you over the head with how it sucks to grow up, but the performances are enough to keep things moving along. Standing on its own, “Running with Scissors” is a solid comedy about maturing in a world that doesn't make any damn sense. As an adaptation, well, I'll leave that for the experts to decide.

Derek Luke ignites the screen in “Catch a Fire”

By SARA CARR
STAFF WRITER

“Catch a Fire,” based on a true story, deals with the struggle against apartheid in South Africa and the courage of one man. Jumping from the early '80s to the end of apartheid, the film chronicles the life of Patrick Chamuso (Derek Luke, “Antwone Fisher”), a hard-working and upstanding citizen who harbors no political ambitions.

Rather, his goal in life is to maintain his position as foreman at the Secunda oil refinery and to be a loving husband and father to his two daughters. He is a caring individual who spends his free time coaching the neighborhood soccer team; offering an outlet for the young boys who must lose the innocence of childhood at a young age due to the turmoil and violence of a country at odds with itself.

His life, however, begins to fall apart when he is wrongly accused of an attack on the Secunda oil refinery. The attack was conducted by the African National Congress (ANC).

The activist group seeks to bring freedom and power to the black citizens of South Africa. They are considered to be a terrorist group by the government where Nic Vos (Tim Robbins) is a colonel in the Police Security Branch. He seeks to find the “terrorists” when he questions and tortures the innocent Patrick Chamuso.

He is later released from jail, but not before his wife Precious (Bonnie Henna), is tortured as well. This tragic experience prompts the man who used to shun politics, to take a stand, in turn becoming a hero for his family and his nation by joining the ranks in the ANC.

The film is a thought-provoking political thriller that keeps you entranced from the opening sequence to the final frame. It is a gut-wrenching portrait of the failure of



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(left) Tim Robbins plays the antagonistic government agent Nic Vos, who tortures innocent citizens of South Africa, believing that they are terrorists.

humanity and how the brave can rise above such injustices. “Catch a Fire” is bursting with action, emotion, and triumph.

Robbins may be the Oscar winner, but Luke is the true gem of this film. His fierce performance is emotional and layered. He takes risks and commands the audience to hear his message. When he begs to have his wife released, it breaks the heart of all watching. He shows that he can dig deeper than the superficial with true tears and raw emotion, delivering the best performance that I have seen this year and proves that he deserves to be the next A-list star in Hollywood.

The talent of screenwriter Shawn Slovo is on full display as he beautifully creates the picture of Patrick's life in parallel with Nic. Patrick is the hero of the story whilst Nic the monster; however, we see both the moral strengths and failures of each man. The highly developed and complicated characters along with the tightly woven plot highlight the importance of this true story.

Perhaps the most powerful aspect of the film is its effect upon the viewer. Its story sits with you long after you walk out of the theater. In an age filled with meaningless sequels and big budget disasters, it is nice to see a real story that is told well with deserving actors.

“Catch a Fire” contains a distinct message that everyone needs to hear with an ending that was both right and yet unexpected for the viewer. It is a film that will wake you up to the world outside of Loyola College and will make you appreciate the basic freedoms that come with being an American.



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(below) Derek Luke plays a hard-working South African oil refinery foreman who is wrongly accused of a terrorist attack. The events lead him to become a hero for his family, with Luke's grievances evoking great emotions from audiences.

Celebrate this Halloween with some tasteful frights

By COREY CRAFT & PHIL OWEN
THE CRIMSON WHITE (U. ALABAMA)

Just in time for the holiday, here are some tips for some truly terrifying movies to celebrate Halloween.

"The Shining"

Stanley Kubrick's horror masterpiece, "The Shining" gets under your skin and stays there in a big way. I can't describe Kubrick's deliberate style, but through the duration of the film you will find yourself unsettled, disturbed and, by the film's end, terrified. I can't imagine there's any serious horror fan who hasn't seen this, but should such a person exist, you can do yourself no greater favor than to seek this out immediately.

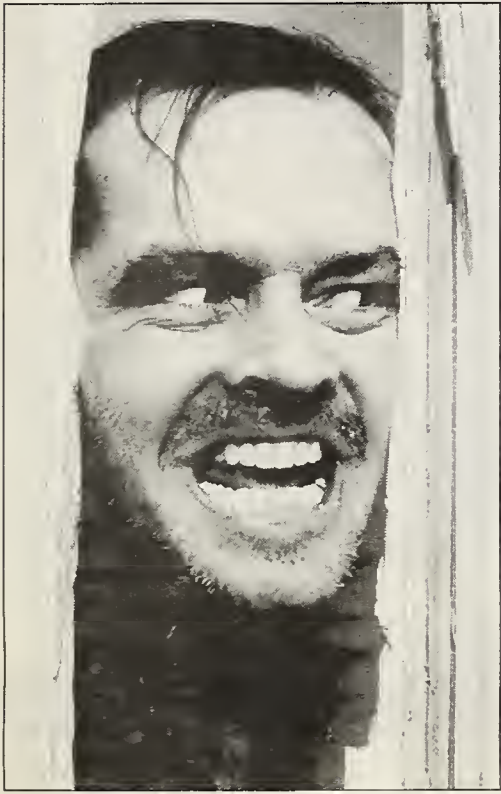


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Make this Halloween one to remember by watching the creepy horror favorite, "The Shining." Afterwards you can creep out your roommates by exclaiming, "Here's Johnny!" while breaking into their room.

"Jaws"

The granddaddy of the summer blockbuster and still the best of them all, Steven Spielberg's masterful debut still contains some of the scariest moments in modern filmmaking. The story of a resort community terrified by a giant shark, it contains debatably one of the most successful "jump" moments in film, and even today it holds up as a masterpiece of suspense. And don't give me any of that

crap about "outdated special effects" -- it still looks as terrific as always.

"Rosemary's Baby"

Roman Polanski's masterpiece of tension and atmosphere has the scariest ending ever. Hands down. Mia Farrow gives an excellent performance as the titular Rosemary, who suspects an evil influence on her unborn child in her new apartment. Featuring John Cassevetes and Ruth Gordon (in an Oscar-winning performance), it's one of the most terrifying religious thrillers ever made. Stick with it -- it's shockingly good.

"Suspiria"

From Italian master of horror Dario Argento, this story of a coven of witches in a German dance academy is over-the-top, Grand Guignol horror and one of the creepiest films ever made. It also features some of the grisliest, most difficult-to-watch deaths I've ever seen -- not necessarily because of what you see, but as in Hitchcock's "Psycho," because of what you don't. It's pretty difficult to find, but it belongs at the top of your Netflix queue.

"Session 9"

An under-the-radar horror masterpiece, director Brad Anderson's low-budget film takes advantage of a terrifying real-life location -- Danvers State Hospital in rural Massachusetts, a former mental asylum notorious for the prefrontal lobotomy. And if you don't know what that is, the movie will tell you. It's atmospheric and psychologically scary, and the ending is terrific.

"Alien"

Not only is this one of the best horror movies of all time, but it's also Ridley Scott's first notable film and still stands as one of his best. The film features incredible practical effects, and Scott orchestrated the film in such a way that his alien creation was as scary as could be, and given the technology of the time, that's quite an accomplishment.

"The Descent"

This film is easily the best horror film of the past few years, and is definitely up there with some of the best in history. It's a film that sneaks up on you, quietly making you feel uneasy with claustrophobia as the girls

crawl through small cave passages before it hits hard with real, in-your-face terror in the second half.

"Night of the Living Dead"

This classic from George A. Romero marked the invention of the zombie movie, and it is still the best of the genre. The story, which takes place almost entirely in and around a single farmhouse, works because it takes place in such a universal environment. The true achievement of the film, though, was that it had a black man in

the lead role in 1968.

"The Evil Dead"

Though this movie series from "Spider-Man" director Sam Raimi is mostly remembered for "Evil Dead 2" (which is merely a comedic remake of this film) and "Army of Darkness," "The Evil Dead" is the best of the series because, although it's campy, it is the only one that is actually scary. The film also overflows with gore and is the only movie to date that holds an NC-17 rating for violence.



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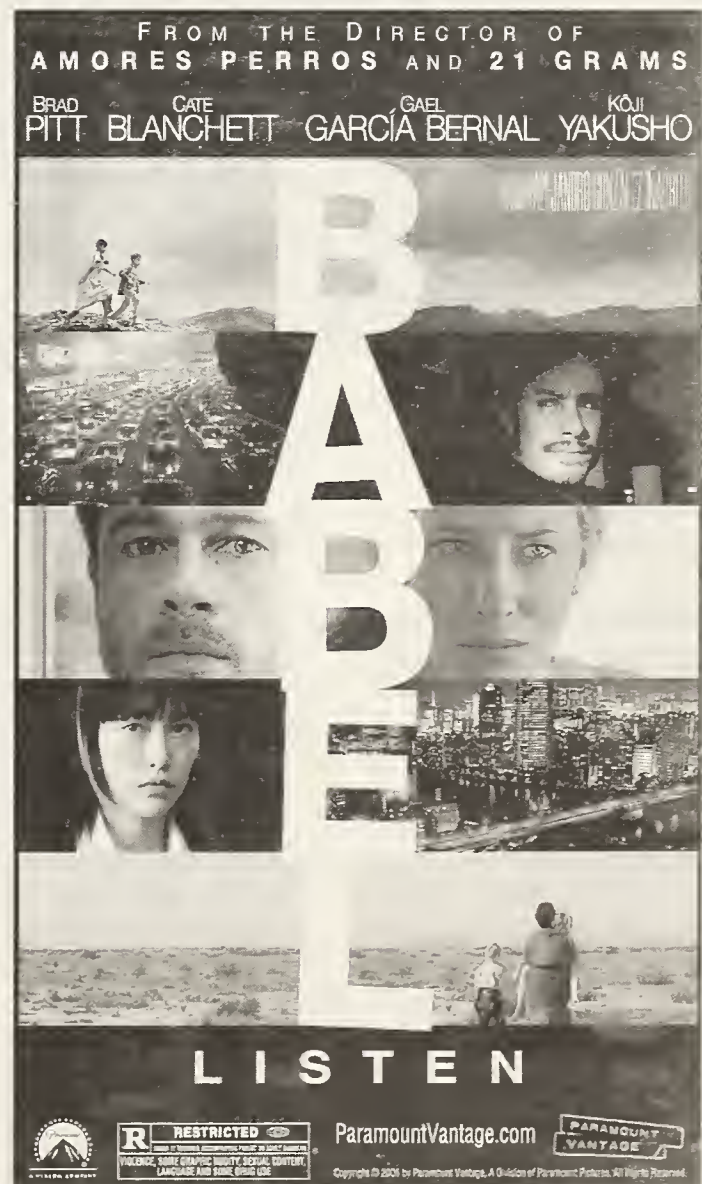
"Night of the Living Dead" was the original undead flick. Even though it may not have the special effects of more modern movies, it is still considered by most zombie connoisseurs to be the best of the genre.

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Aries (March 21-April 20) Family relationships and large purchases will this week require your full attention. After Tuesday, younger relatives or roommates

isolation. Long-term relationships will now demand open debate and complex social planning. At present, loved ones may be distrustful of important promises.

Patience and empathy will prove invaluable; offer detailed information and expect fast, reliable progress.

HOROSCOPES
By Lasha Seniuk/KRT

may ask for special permissions, boldly express new opinions or introduce revised daily routines.

Taurus (April 21-May 20) Over the next few days, social invitations may be privately revised or quietly cancelled. This week, a close friend may need extra time for important family decisions or business choices. Remain diplomatic and watch for subtle breakthroughs: new career and home aspirations will soon be publicly discussed.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) Early this week, an older relative or close friend may reveal private romantic doubts or deep feelings of

Cancer (June 22-July 22) After Wednesday, creative career ideas become a top priority: remain patient and watch for sudden realizations. Late Saturday, powerful romantic and social insights are available; closely study the hints or comments of friends and potential lovers.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) A close friend will this week reveal ambitious business plans or life goals. After Friday, a recently despondent relative may abandon unproductive friendships and social obligations. Offer support: Healthy boundaries will soon be established.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Monday through Wednesday, money proposals and career strategies are promising but unreliable. Later this week, a past romantic attraction may reoccur or strain present relationships. If so, ask for extra private time: complex feelings of nostalgia may be bothersome.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Gentle flirtation, last minute invitations and rekindled sensuality are now an ongoing theme. Over the next two weeks, some Librans will steadily expand their social or romantic commitments. Miscommunications or emotional differences may require detailed discussions: make sure loved ones are in agreement with revised time schedules.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Younger friends or relatives may this week ask for increased discussion in the home. Daily family decisions or social activities will be affected. Quickly settle all outstanding disputes: a clear understanding of expectations,

rules and boundaries may be needed.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Last minute group plans may soon be postponed. Over the next two days, trusted friends will react from strong emotion, challenge social loyalties or introduce unexpected delays. Family or romantic obligations may be an underlying theme. Remain cheerful and wait for clarity before taking risks.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20) Physical vitality and social optimism are now high. Over the next few days, many Capricorns will experience a return to yesterday's ideals or attitudes. Romantic attraction may be difficult to resist: watch for potential lovers or new friends to openly compete for your attention.

Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19) Lovers and long-term friends are now open to new suggestions. Carefully study all serious proposals. After Friday, an older relative may request private advice. If so, remain sensitive to

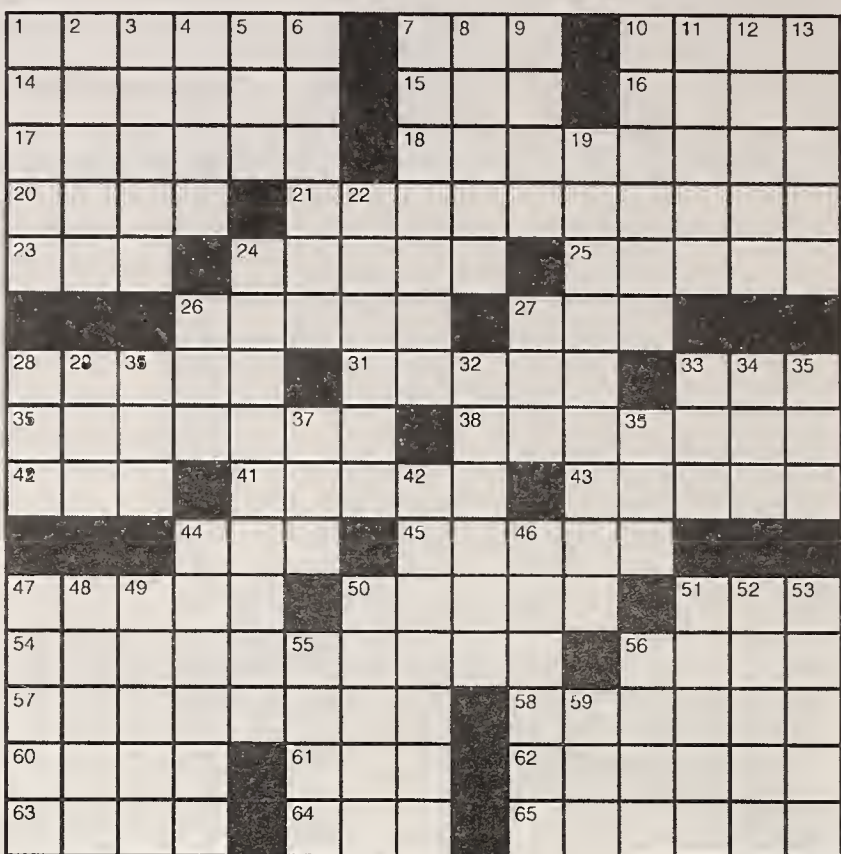
issues of ownership, traditional values and financial obligation: passions will be high.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20) In the coming weeks, complex strategies may be revealed by corporate leaders. Legal standards are a key influence. Stay alert. After Thursday, a subtle flirtation may quickly escalate into passion. Rare social triangles may also be at issue. Trust your first instincts.

If your birthday is this week: The coming seven weeks bring significant romantic and social improvement. After mid-November, key relationships begin a new phase of shared trust and daily expectation. By late January 2007, expect loved ones to opt for serious long-term commitments. Sensuality and new attraction may also be a continuing theme. Potential lovers and new friends will issue unexpected invitations or proposals over the next few months. React promptly and honestly. After mid-April, financial strategies may need to be restructured.

Crossword

- ACROSS
- 1 Systematic plan of action
 - 7 Do the lawn
 - 10 Agts.
 - 14 Deceptive tricks
 - 15 Doctors' org.
 - 16 Southernmost Great Lake
 - 17 Make up
 - 18 Happy-go-lucky
 - 20 lds' companions
 - 21 Wake-up call, of a sort
 - 23 Medico
 - 24 Writer Terkel
 - 25 Restores to health
 - 26 "Maria _"
 - 27 Irritate
 - 28 Pageant crown
 - 31 Capital of Jordan
 - 33 Fuss
 - 36 Fact book
 - 38 Cushioned footstool
 - 40 Practice, as a trade
 - 41 Lovers' secret meeting
 - 43 Dusseldorf's river
 - 44 Be in debt
 - 45 Old-time music systems
 - 47 Branch of Islam
 - 50 Municipal
 - 51 Tooth topper
 - 54 Danger symbol
 - 56 Foal's mom
 - 57 Consenting
 - 58 Red table wine
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 - 61 _ Aviv-Jaffa
 - 62 Ventilate
 - 63 Summertime refreshers
 - 64 Wind dir.
 - 65 Scattered rubbish
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 - 2 African republic
 - 3 Mayhem
 - 4 Former spouses
 - 5 Stag party attendees
 - 6 Landed property
 - 7 Paving material
 - 8 Sharif and Bradley
 - 9 Friendly
 - 10 Backward flow
 - 11 Blunder
 - 12 Separate portion
 - 13 Goes in search of
 - 19 Nonconformist
 - 22 Madness
 - 24 Obliquely
 - 26 Period
 - 27 Dyeing vessel
 - 28 Faucet
 - 29 Not well
 - 30 One of Alcott's girls
 - 32 Reason why
 - 33 Pierre's friend
 - 34 Ex-QB Marino
 - 35 Small bill
 - 37 Exist
 - 39 Exclamations of surprise
 - 42 Roofing piece



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Solutions to last week's puzzle

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- 46 Financial
- 47 La _ Opera House
- 48 Exhorted
- 49 Scandinavian
- 50 Traffic diverters
- 51 Gem weight
- 52 Long, thin ridge
- 53 Lawford or O'Toole
- 55 Take the bait
- 56 Trading center
- 59 Waikiki garland



Hounds sneak into playoffs, beat Jaspers

By DAVE LOMONICO
SPORTS EDITOR

Facing a potential disaster, the Loyola men's soccer team defeated Manhattan last weekend in a 2-1 dogfight, catapulting them into the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference Tournament. Although the Hounds lost some momentum with a 1-0 loss to St. Peter's on Senior Day, Loyola fulfilled their playoff aspirations with the win over the Jaspers on Friday.

"We've had our ups and downs, but the players managed to come through," said head coach Mark Mettrick. "There's a lot on the line and I'm very pleased that the players never took getting to the playoffs for granted."

With the game deadlocked at one in overtime and the clock dwindling down under two minutes, the Hounds came through in dramatic fashion against Manhattan.

Freshmen Jamie Darvill missed wide on an open opportunity at the 2:10 mark in OT, but just 30 seconds later, he was given a chance to redeem himself. Freshman Mike McTigue sent his corner kick into the box where Darvill forced himself into the middle of a scramble, controlled the ball, and willed it into the net for a 2-1 victory.

After his teammates finished mobbing him on the waterlogged field, Darvill was brimming with energy. The goal, his second game-winner of the year, guaranteed the Hounds a spot in the MAAC



ALI DYKHOUSE/GREYHOUND

Jamie Darvill was the hero on Friday, scoring a goal in overtime to give the Hounds a 2-1 victory. The game-winner ensured that the Hounds would be going to the playoffs for the 17th consecutive season. Loyola, the No. 4 seed, will take on either Niagara or Fairfield on Thursday.

Tourney for the 17th straight year.

"It was a great feeling to strike back after the Iona loss," said Darvill. "Now the pressure is off our shoulders and we can go into the playoffs on a high."

Loyola came into the game at a disadvantage, losing seniors

Omar Alfonso and Rade Kokovic to yellow cards from the previous match against Iona. Nevertheless, the Hounds dominated the first half, battering the Manhattan defense with a rejuvenated attack.

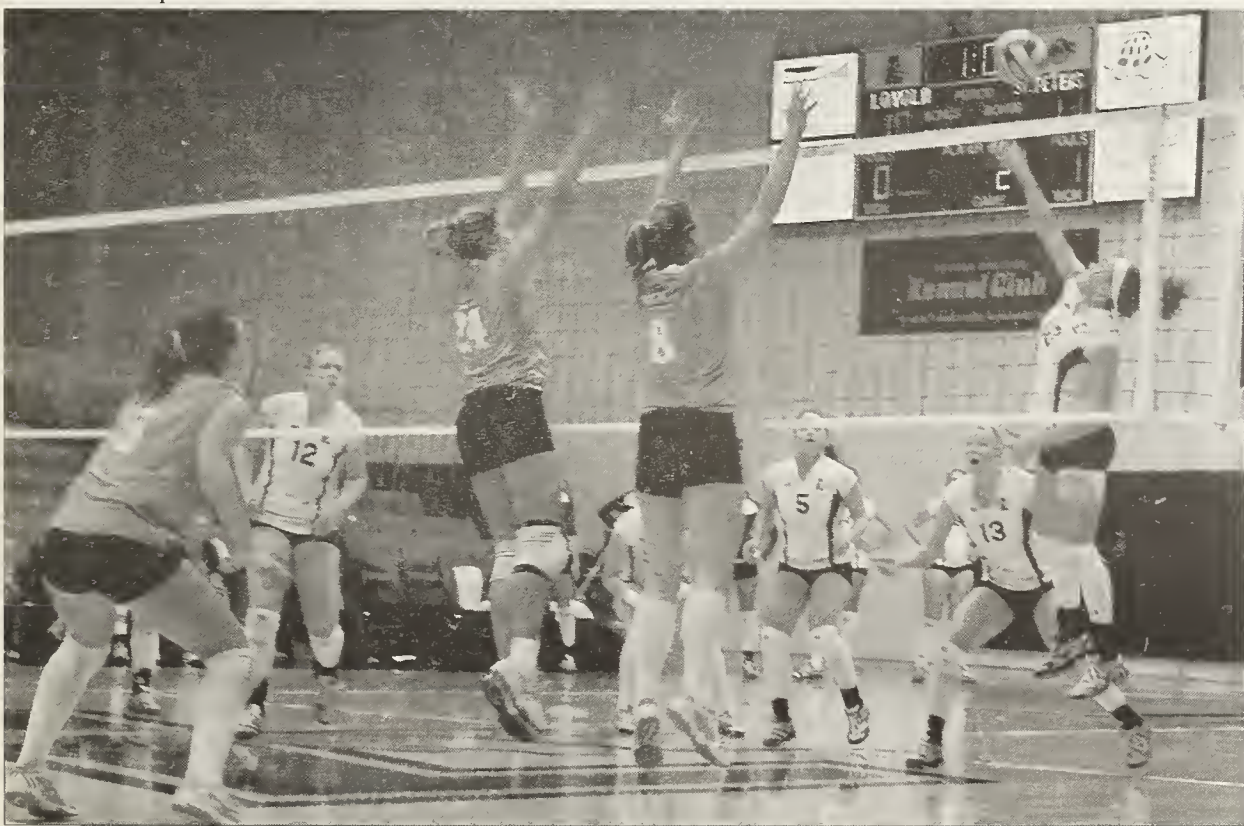
However, soccer does not always reward the better team, especially if the offense cannot capitalize.

Several open looks barely missed for Loyola, including a strike by senior Buster Wiand early in the half and a nice look by Danny Wheelan at the 35 minute mark.

On the other side, Manhattan struggled mightily, failing to get off a shot until the 42nd minute. Unfortunately for the Hounds, that

one shot found the back of the net, giving the Jaspers a 1-0 lead at the half.

Loyola finally got a break when Manhattan was issued a red card, forcing them to play a man down for the entire second half. Moving an extra man up to forward, **continued on page 20**



KAT KIENLE/GREYHOUND

Trailing 2-0 to St. Peter's, Loyola stormed back to tie the match before falling in the deciding game.

Soccer blows out Peahens 3-0

By GREG WESTPHAL
STAFF WRITER

The Loyola women's soccer team ended the season with a bang, beating Saint Peter's 3-0 in effortless fashion. The Hounds out-shot St. Peter's 29-7, had more shots on goal (16-2), and also held the advantage in cornerkicks (9-2).

The Hounds were determined to end the season on a winning note.

Not only did they accomplish this on Sunday, they demolished the Peahens. The win improves the Hounds' record to 10-6-2 overall and 8-1-0 in Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference play heading into the MAAC Tournament next week. The Hounds are the top seed once again and this year they hope to bring home a Conference Championship.

The Hounds got on the board

in the 26th minute off a Lea Day cornerkick that found freshman Amanda Meehan in the box. Meehan then blasted a shot to the back of the net giving the Greyhounds a 1-0 lead. Five minutes later, senior Carolyn Kennington scored an unassisted goal putting the Hounds up by two.

Day's day was not finished, as **continued on page 20**

Volleyball stumbles against St. Peter's

By STEPHANIE RIGIONE
STAFF WRITER

The Loyola women's volleyball team has made a habit of leaving the audience on the edge of their seats whenever they play at home. This weekend was no different as the team engaged in two suspenseful five-game matches against Rider and St. Peter's.

However, Sunday's game against St. Peter's seemed to lack that Greyhound magic, as the team fell 3-2. On Saturday, the Hounds defeated Rider in a thriller, this time on the winning end of a five-game match.

While warming up, the St. Peter's Peahens looked like a lackluster squad compared to Loyola, and it seemed like the Hounds would have their way. However, the Greyhounds may have taken St. Peter's a little lightly, making numerous mistakes that the Peahens capitalized on.

At the start of game one, Loyola racked up a number of well-deserved, well-played points. St. Peter's, however, thrived off a series of untimely Greyhound errors.

Early in the game, St. Peter's

Libero could not even get off a decent return on a serve from freshman Chrissey Cruz. However, as the game wore on, the Peahens began lighting up the scoreboard with an array of hard spikes that the Hounds failed to block.

Loyola started to become distraught and looked mentally fatigued. Senior Blair Snyder shouted out for her team to step up.

"We got to get this together," Snyder said. But it was not enough for the team; they lost game one 30-24.

Game two started off the same as the first with Loyola dominating the court, yet falling short where it counted: on the scoreboard.

Freshman Kimi Gabriel dove to save an over hit pass, but as she ran towards the Greyhounds' sideline, the ball fell just out of reach and slid into the announcement booth. This play summed up the game for Loyola, who seemed to fall just short on every pass.

St. Peter's momentum began to climb and the Greyhounds' mistakes shot up. There seemed to be a lack of communication **continued on page 21**

Men drop Senior Day finale to St. Peter's, 1-0

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Mettrick pushed his team to take advantage. With the rain pouring and the temperature dropping, a gutsy effort by Manhattan stalled the Hounds before a series of well designed plays in crunch time tied the game and sealed the victory for the Greyhounds.

"Manhattan defended quite well," said Darvill. "But we persevered and got the win in the end."

At 60:41, Wheelan

controlled the ball and crossed it over to sophomore Josh Taylor. Taylor, who missed several earlier opportunities, capitalized on the look, tying the game at one. The Hounds furiously attacked for the remainder of the half, but they could not break a stout Manhattan defense.

Finally the Greyhound pressure busted through in overtime, setting up Darvill's heroics.

"This was a reward for what we've been through this year," said senior Justin Chelland. "We wanted to get on a roll going into the playoffs. Now it's one game at a

time and each game is like its own individual season."

St. Peter's, who desperately needed a victory to clinch a

playoff spot, gave the Hounds fits all day long. Early in the game, senior Omar Alfonso found freshmen Jamie Darvill streaking down the middle of the field, but the pair failed to convert. Senior Danny Wheelan almost gave Loyola a lead, but the St. Peter's keeper aggressively pursued the ball and

knocked away the shot attempt.

The story has been the same all season for the Hounds who relied heavily on their defense to provide a spark. Keeper Justin Chelland, who had six saves on the day, kept the game scoreless for over 80 minutes, including a jaw dropping save to preserve a tie late in the second half.

At 81:15, however, a header by St. Peter's Kevin Hudson barely eluded a diving Chelland, giving the Peacocks a 1-0 lead. The St. Peter's defense held strong for the final 10 minutes, effectively securing a playoff spot.

Loyola, who finishes with a 6-3 record in the MAAC, sneaks into the MAAC Tournament as the No. 4 seed. They will faceoff against Niagara or Fairfield on Thursday.



KAT KIENLE/GREYHOUND

Looking to head into the MAAC Tournament with a win, the Hounds could not overcome St. Peter's.



KAT KIENLE/GREYHOUND

The Hounds took their frustrations out on St. Peter's, demolishing the Peahens 3-0. However, Loyola fell to Manhattan on Friday, their first MAAC loss in five seasons.

Swimmers snag freestyle events, propel past NJIT

BY JIM DELANEY
STAFF WRITER

The Loyola swimming and diving teams finished a busy weekend at the Magnione Aquatic Center.

Friday showcased a Greyhound win over the New Jersey Institute of Technology, and a reunion between the Hounds and a former coach. Eric Rasmussen coached at Loyola for three years, building strong relationships with the current swimmers.

"It was great to see our old coach this weekend," junior Rich Gibbons said. "I am happy for him and what he has done with NJIT."

The Loyola men performed convincingly, winning an unprecedented 11 events en route to a 196-59 defeat of the New Jersey Institute of Technology.

The Hounds had the top three finishers in four separate events. Led by senior captain Ryan Reeser, who won three events, the men's team is proving that they are better and stronger than in previous years.

In addition, junior Doug Alban, freshmen Greg Thomasson (1000-yard freestyle winner) and Brad Reeser, sophomore E.J. Verrico, and junior Pat Hicks all contributed to the victory.

Verrico and Brad Reeser teamed up with junior Paul Ebert and freshman Zach Oster to win the 200-yard freestyle relay in a blazing time of 1:28.93, touching out Loyola's other relay by less than half a

second.

The women had their hands full with St. Francis as they lost a tight contest 158-130. However, they redeemed themselves with a convincing 222-5 defeat of NJIT.

With the season still young, the Hounds have time to find the right lineup when they match up against Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference foes like Marist, Rider, and Niagara.

Despite the uncertainties, the women put in terrific swims.

Senior Michelle Ryan, whose consistency and experience will carry the Hounds this year, won two events while sophomore Victoria Kamauff matched the effort with a pair of wins.

Senior Liz Chlebda swam to a first place finish in the 200-yard breaststroke (2:35.56), while freshman Megan Royer won the 50-yard freestyle with a time of 25:14.

In addition, senior Megan Sterback swept both 1-meter and 3-meter boards as she continues to be one of the top divers in the MAAC.

Saturday brought alumni back to the FAC for a bit of friendly competition with the current swimmers.

"This is a fun meet where we get to see our old teammates," said junior Dan Pluta. "They offered some advice and words of encouragement for the rest of the season."

Next weekend will prove how strong the Hounds actually are as rival Georgetown and Big East powerhouse Seton Hall come to Baltimore on Saturday.

No. 1 seeded Hounds head to MAAC Tourney

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she found senior Courtney Arikian in the 51st minute for another score, helping Loyola finish off the Peahens 3-0.

"It felt good to win after our loss on Friday," said Day. "It was good to finish off with a win. It gives us some momentum going into the tournament."

The defense was once again outstanding. Even after a double overtime match on Friday, the Hounds' defense still looked strong and energized. The Hounds allowed Saint Peter's only two shots on goal, both of which were saved by sophomore Amanda Piccirilli.

Thanks to the defense and the tandem of Piccirilli and freshman Brittany Henderson in goal, the Greyhounds finished the season with a remarkable eight shutouts in 18 games.

"We played well [Sunday] because we played on a decent field," head coach John Byford said.

"The field we played at on Friday against Manhattan was a disgrace to Division I soccer. It was bumpy, uneven, and there was dirt down the middle. It was like a bad high school field."

The field conditions were one of the reasons why Loyola fell to their first MAAC opponent on Friday. After a hard fought battle, the Hounds lost to the Manhattan Jaspers 2-1 in double overtime.

"A bad field brings down a good team," Byford said. "And not to take anything away from Manhattan, but it gives an advantage to a less talented team."

The Hounds created chances on Friday, but they are a team that likes to pass the ball around and move quickly and this field did not play to their strengths. One ball nicked the cross bar, and two missed from inside the box, all of which may have gone in if the team were playing under better conditions.

The Hounds held a 16-13 shot advantage, but neither team was able to put together any decent shots on goal.

The first half was a defensive battle that ended in a 0-0 tie. The score remained that way until the 53rd minute when the Jaspers scored on a loose ball off a

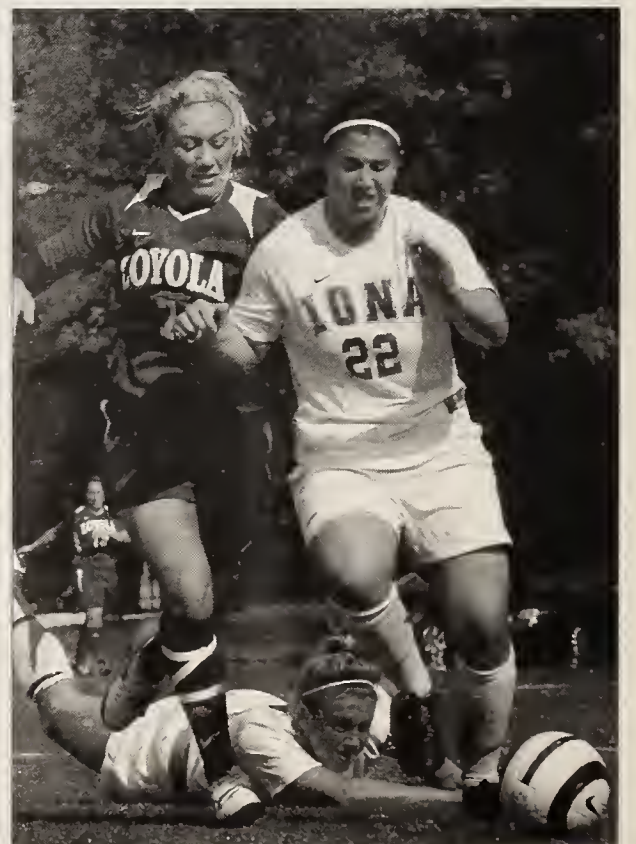
rebound. Henderson made the initial save, but was unable to gobble up the ball as Manhattan's Christine Abrams put the Jaspers up 1-0.

The Greyhounds came back with a goal just three minutes later when senior Kaitlin Klar's free kick caused some confusion in front of the net. Arikian found the ball and chipped it in to tie the game up at one.

After a desperate battle for the rest of regulation and an entire overtime period, the game finally reached its conclusion. Henderson was called for a penalty in the box while trying to go out and challenge a shooter.

The Jaspers were awarded a penalty kick that they converted, effectively handing Loyola their first MAAC loss of the season. This loss also put an end to the 45-game conference win streak that the Hounds had up to this point. It was their first Conference loss in five seasons.

The Hounds have a week off before their Tournament begins next weekend at Fairfield in Connecticut. Loyola has a very good chance of winning the tournament this year, and are no doubt seeking revenge after last year's heartbreaking loss to Fairfield.



KAT KIENLE/GREYHOUND

With an improving offense and a defense featuring two solid goaltenders, the Hounds are a force heading into the MAAC Tourney. A strong showing means Loyola will once again head to the NCAA's.

THE GREYHOUND ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Jamie Darvill, reigning from London, England, has improved his play at the forward position throughout the season. On a team that came into the season lacking an offensive presence, Darvill has risen to the point where he can be counted on to produce game in and game out. He always seems to be around the ball and usually has a hand in every Greyhound goal even if his play goes unnoticed in the stat book.

The 5-foot-11, 165-pound freshman put together an impressive game against Manhattan. He took four shots (three on goal) and knocked in the game-winning goal in overtime.

Darvill is developing a knack for scoring in the clutch as this was his second game-winning shot of the season. His score was magnified by the fact that it sent the Hounds to the playoffs.

In Sunday's match against St. Peter's, the aggressive forward almost had another goal for the Hounds, but a nice play by the Peacock defender stopped his drive.

Darvill should only get better with experience and next year may be one of the top offensive threats in the MAAC.



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Jamie Darvill
Freshman

Women capitalize on key Rider error, win match in five games

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throughout the match as teammates collided to hit the same ball.

Sophomore Rachel Schillinger had several impressive blocks and freshman Karlee Woodward was consistent in her kills, but the team's serves started to hit the net and they lost game two 31-29.

"The first two games started out slow," freshman Kelly Nevin said. "We lost all intensity."

While game three and four both had active beginnings with both teams constantly volleying the ball back and forth, the Greyhounds could not put together a string of consistent plays until the end when they finally woke up.

St. Peter's kept switching their offense and in response Loyola began pushing towards the net. The Peahens became flustered as their animated coach kept calling time outs after sloppy plays to try and stop the Loyola momentum.

However, the Hounds kept up the pressure and had the Peahens solved by the end of game three. The Greyhounds won game three 30-19 and continued their solid play into game four which they took 30-16.

After a series of adjustments, the Peahens finally figured out the Loyola attack and the deciding fifth game did not end in Loyola's favor. The team lost any intensity they may have gained from the previous

two games and St. Peter's won with a score of 15-7.

At the end of the day, freshman Karlee Woodward had 19 kills and six block assists; Snyder had 16 kills and 15 digs; sophomore Rachel Schillinger had 10 kills and four block assists; and Cruz claimed 55 assists.

"Yesterday [Saturday], we were more intense," Nevin said. "Today [Sunday] we just beat ourselves."

Saturday's confidence builder against Rider featured a bit of Greyhound magic that the team lacked on Sunday.

The suspenseful five-game match against Rider was a highly focused game for both teams.

The Greyhounds concentrated, played a solid game, and made few mistakes. In the end, they did just enough to scratch out a win.

With the final game going down to the wire, a key mistake by Rider gave the Hounds an emotional victory. The game was tied when a Rider player touched the net for a fault. The huge mental error clinched the victory for Loyola as they took the fifth game 15-14.

The Greyhounds have fallen to 7-21 overall and have a 5-8 record in the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference. The team's next two games are on the road at Iona on Nov. 4 at 11 p.m. and at Manhattan on Nov. 5 at 2 p.m.

Runners finish fourth at MAAC Championships

By KAT KIENLE
STAFF WRITER

Leadership is a vital component to any successful team, even if its members compete individually. This year, the Loyola cross country team has numerous veteran leaders who stepped up last Friday in the most important meet of the season.

The team might not have reached their ultimate goal of placing third in the Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference Championship, but the Greyhounds, both the men and women, had impressive fourth place finishes at the difficult Van Cortlandt Park course in New York.

The men totaled 112 points in their fourth place finish. Iona, a cross country powerhouse, claimed first while Marist and Manhattan grabbed second and third respectively. Despite falling short of their third-place goal, the men tied for the best MAAC Championship finish in Loyola history.

The top finishers on the women's side mirrored the men. Loyola took fourth place with a score of 113, while Iona again clinched the top spot and Marist and Manhattan took second and third.

"I'm extremely proud of our finish up here in the MAAC this year," said head coach Rick Woods. "These seniors have made a contribution to this program over these past couple of years. That was really exemplified in their performance this weekend. They will be hard to replace."

Senior Andrea Rovegno, who placed fourth overall with a time off 22:02:08, has been the backbone of the program this season. She brought a passion to running and exemplified the grit and determination of a true leader.

Rovegno now turns her focus to helping

the team qualify for the NCAA Championships at the NCAA Regionals two weeks from now.

"I really want to qualify for the NCAA Championships," Rovegno said. "I hope I have a strong performance and can push myself, but it's a team effort and I hope our team does well."

Senior Colleen Depman who finished with a time of 23:55.9, along with classmates Michelle McVann, Jackie Gaines, and Sarah Spencer all contributed to the top five finish on Friday, setting an example for the underclassmen.

On the men's side, sophomore Chris Heibell was the top finisher. Heibell, who has shown steady improvement, finished 11th with a time of 26:05.2.

"We all ran very hard in the meet this weekend," says Heibell. "That might have hurt us a little in the end, but we wanted it and were willing to do everything it took [to place well]."

Heibell was followed by junior Brian Parker who placed 15th with a 26:22.2. Sophomore Keith Forlenza, junior Andrew Rice, and freshman Terry Morgan rounded out the top five for Loyola.

The senior boys, Bredan O'Kane, Patrick McCadden, and Perry Salonia, also put together impressive performances.

With the Conference Championship behind them, the Greyhounds still have the NCAA Regionals to look forward to. The event will be held in two weeks in Loch Haven, Pennsylvania, where Loyola has had a history of solid finishes.

"What people don't realize is that we have two more meets left this season to prove ourselves," Woods said. "We ran our best at the NCAA Regionals last year, so we are all looking forward to [a repeat performance]."

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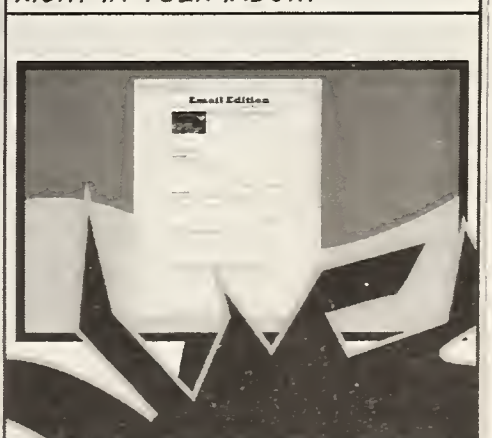
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Former Colts enchant Baltimore, relive past

Nostalgia and tradition run deep in the veins of old Baltimoreans who are forever reconnecting with their past, reciting time-honored sayings and analogies. There's Grandpa, sitting in his recliner on a summer afternoon, listening to AM radio, and talking

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about "the glory days," "the simple times," and the old cliché, "when I was growing up..."

The generations of years gone by have been dubbed everything from outmoded to senile, but the truth is, the venerable blue collar town bred a certain type of individual who relied on family ties and tight knit communities. In the corporate age of "Attention Deficit Disorder America," that traditional lifestyle of sit-down dinners and community parties has since been phased out in favor of KFC and the World Wide Web.

The town formerly known as "Charm City" is a far cry from the days of the working man. The blue collar worker, the backbone of the town, created a solid foundation on which the rest of society built upon. Unfortunately, this man has since retired to the suburbs, giving way to the commotion of today's chaotic generation.

Over half a century has passed and the memories of an old town molded through ship yards, street side markets, and warehouses were taken for dead. But on October 22nd at the Sports Legends Museum in Baltimore, a passing generation of blue collar workers returned to their roots in memory of an individual who, above all else, stood for Baltimore.

Sporting a crew cut and a sorrow,

downtrodden face that displayed the wear of years of hard work, the late Johnny Unitas was truly one of their own. Two thousand eight hundred and thirty completions, 290 touchdown passes, 10 Pro Bowls, 40,239 passing yards, and a record 47 straight games with a TD pass. Could anyone ever compare to the greatness of the Baltimore Colts' Johnny U?

"No!" responded Tom Callahan, author of Unitas' biography *Johnny U: The Life and Times of John Unitas*. "There's no one close."

"Johnny would have been unbelievable if he played today," said former Baltimore Colt teammate Raymond Berry. "He would have tore defenses apart."

Unitas displayed an almost mythical, god-like status on the football field, awing spectators and opposing defenses with his patented two-minute drill. But that was not the reason his former teammates and the fans of Baltimore packed the tiny museum. They all came back because Johnny U, above all else, was a friend, a father, and a hard nosed worker.

The myth of Johnny U reaches far beyond his greatness as a quarterback. It delves into the roots of the community where Unitas could be seen in the local bars, shaking hands, and exchanging stories about family with the "nine-to-five" Bethlehem Steel workers. As the old Colt fans always say, "Everyone has a story about Johnny U."

Would you ever see Ray Lewis down at Fells Point, sitting back, chatting with some fans, and having one of Baltimore's finest National Bohemian beers? It would never happen. Not with the money, bodyguards, and iconic status that has inundated and transformed the professional athlete. Today's athletes are a step above the fans; they exist as individuals separate from society and in some instances, their own teams. Witness Terrell Owens.

And no, PR ploys do not count. An athlete reading to kids at a library is admirable and healthy for the community,

but I am talking about an athlete who every day, walks out his front door and connects with the city.

The former Baltimore Colts who made the trip to the museum graced the attentive audience with their favorite moments from their playing days. Arriving back at Friendship Airport after the 1959 Championship. The bus rides from city to city. The simple offenses. The movies, the bars, the jokes.

Finally, when the last memories were recalled and former running back Lenny Moore finished demonstrating how he was "clothes-lined" by a linebacker, the audience, with tears flowing from years relived as a youth watching Colt football, stood up and cheered.

This group of Colts was not Michael Vick talking to an awestruck media about his 4.3 speed or Derek Jeter instructing kids how to hit .330.

The former players were not superheroes displaying their unfathomable physique. They were normal human beings who held off-season jobs, lived in the area, and knew the local drug store manager by his first name.

"The relationship between the team and the fans is like a family," said Berry. "We all share the same experiences together."

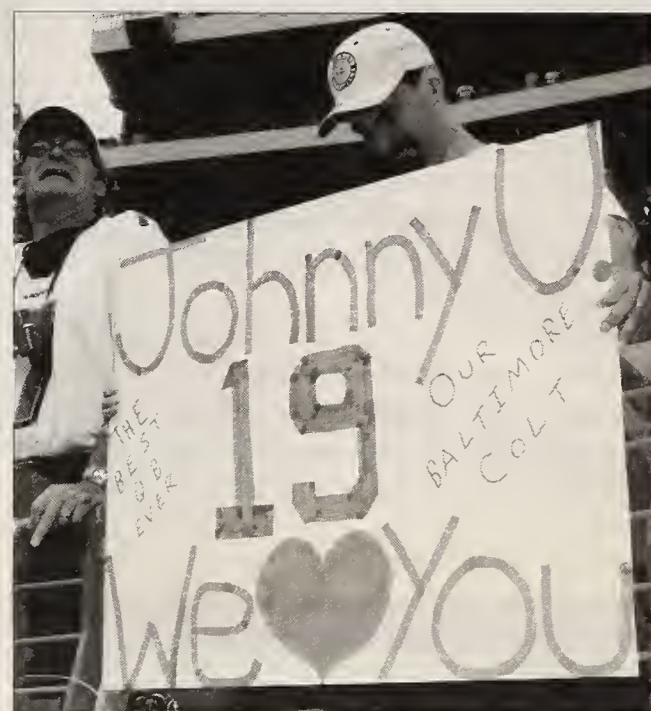
With that final comment, if you weren't teary-eyed you were either too young to understand or you had no heart at all.

Today, players are like mercenaries, moving from city to city, often playing for whatever owner is willing to shell out enough money for their services. Money has created a generation of prima donna, cash hoarding, selfish individuals who have

never learned the terms "team" or "community." They will never be honored with the same love and respect shown by the fans of Baltimore on October 22nd regardless of how great they become. Simply put, there is no longer any loyalty between fans and athletes. The meaningful relationships have been replaced by businessmen, super agents, and players who are treated like gods.

Johnny U is a representation of what it truly means to be a Baltimore Colt. The love that the city of Baltimore has for Unitas and all of the early Colts is unparalleled by any athlete-fan relationship in the era of modern-day sports. This is why the old-timers who lived through the joys of 1959 and the pain in 1983 are still coming back to honor their past.

Fans today can only hope that the old stories are passed on, because soon they will be forgotten entirely. They are our only hope of ever experiencing the intimate relationships of yesteryear.



STEVE DESLICH/KRT

As long as there is football in Baltimore, the fans will never forget the legend of Johnny Unitas.

Start of NBA, college b-ball seasons excite fans

I'm back. Back in the saddle. Back off the wagon (or on the wagon I don't know which). After a grueling two week period of midterms, depression, and an alcoholic daze, I have officially come to terms with the Yankees losing. By the way, how did the

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Cardinals beat the Tigers?

Thanks to my illustrious editor he has let me off the hook by encouraging me to write about one of the two upcoming basketball seasons. I took it a step further because I intend to write about both.

Since the departure of Michael Jordan and the NBA strike, my interest in professional basketball had dropped near the depths of hockey. Granted it could never fall that far, but the NBA to me became a bunch of whiney superstars.

Between Shaq and Kobe's kindergarten feuds, Starbury and Zeek destroying the Knicks, and the whole Indiana-Detroit brawl (which may have been the one of the coolest things I have ever seen despite the fact that it was both horrible and unsportsmanlike) I officially linked myself to the purity inherent in college basketball.

Since the ninth grade, I have learned to understand college basketball, its intricacies, and the great coaching personalities that

have gone along with so many historic teams. Though the college game has been fun and consistently entertaining, especially with March Madness, the NBA has slowly but surely regained its popularity.

Coming off one of the most intense postseasons in NBA history, the league has regained its fire power with young stars like Dwayne Wade and LeBron James, not to mention stalwarts like Shaq, Kobe, and Steve Nash.

While both leagues have their obvious share of strengths and weaknesses, I want to compare these leagues, demonstrating how each have prospered in the last few seasons.

College basketball has thrived on parity, while the NBA playoffs have served as host to a few dominant teams. In the eight seasons since the NBA strike, there have only been four different World Champions. The Spurs and Lakers have each won three titles while the Heat and Pistons each notched one.

The dynasties built by the Lakers and Spurs were untouchable, and though some teams gave them a scare, in the end they ended up overwhelmed by the talent and depth possessed by the two powerhouses.

Since 1999, there has been a different National Championship match every year except in 2003 when UConn beat Georgia Tech winning its second championship in six years. Although Duke has dominated both the ACC and the entirety of the NCAA in the regular season, but, like the Yankees, the Evil Empire of college basketball has not won a championship since 2000.

What the NBA lacks in parity it makes up with star power and marketability. Through no fault of their own, the marketability of college stars is nowhere near the height of that in the NBA. Players like Wade, James and Bryant are absolutely electrifying. A basketball fan just can't compare NCAA names like Joakim Noah to NBA names like Kevin Garnett. It would be like comparing Jackie Costigan to Mr. French in the world of crime. It simply does not work.

Although the NBA has more money and the ability to market star players, it comes down to the fact that the professional level has more talent, and with more talent comes more appeal and fame.

The most important comparison of the two leagues lies with their postseason play. The NCAA postseason, which has been endearingly dubbed March Madness, sends shockwaves throughout the nation each year March rolls around.

With a 64-team, single elimination format, every team is putting their entire season on the line each night they take the floor. Like Billy Costigan, fans, coaches, and players have a constant series of panic attacks, dreading being knocked out of the tournament. The pressure that mounts in each game makes the NCAA Tournament one of the most compelling and amazing post season formats in all of sports.

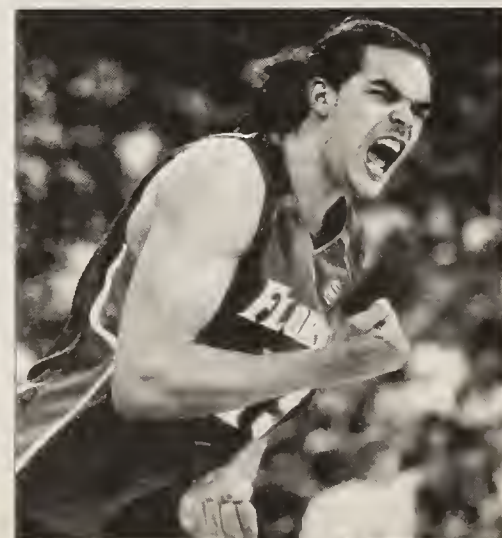
Although the NBA does not have the same style of tournament, its playoff system gives the fans just as much of a thrill. The NBA playoffs cater to those who love the spotlight, and with the abundance of talent in the NBA, plenty of stars get their chance

to shine.

One of the most compelling parts of NBA basketball is that games and series can be completely dominated and won by one player. We saw it with Jordan and we see it now with Kobe, Wade, and Lebron.

Though the emotional roller coaster of the impending disaster or success at the end of every tournament game is absent, there is nothing better than watching an NBA game seven. Everything is riding on the line in a well fought series between two hard nosed teams.

With the NBA back on the rise and college basketball's ever-growing popularity, the nation will once again experience a stellar basketball season on both fronts, filled with buzzer beaters, jaw dropping dunks, and maybe a crazy brawl here or there.



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